

WHEELOCK NEWS



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See meeting notices and documents on the Town Hall message boards and online at

<https://townofwheelockvt.org/>

REMOTE ACCESS INFO

By Phone: +1-646-558-8656

Meeting ID: 810 8003 1813

Passcode: 055553

By Zoom: <https://bit.ly/3oCNpFI>

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2023 TOWN MEETING

**Informational Meeting
At Town Hall & via Zoom**

- **Wednesday March 1 6:00 pm**

MEETING DAY TOWN HALL

- **Tuesday March 7 Starts 9 am**

AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

Polls Open at Town Hall

- **10:00 am to 7:00 pm**

SELECTBOARD

REGULAR MEETING

- **Tuesday March 14 6:00 pm**

Wheelock Town Hall

For the Zoom option, see above

WHEELOCK

COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

- **Thursday March 9 3:00 pm**

Committee Meets In-Person

Town Hall. All Are Welcome!

RENEW DOG LICENSES

- **April 1**
See details page 2

Selectboard News and Notes

Town Meeting 2023 is around the corner; and this year it will be held in-person starting at 9:00 AM Tuesday March 7.

The **“Town Meeting Warning”** is now available on-line at bit.ly/3lajzIF with booklets expected to be delivered the week of February 20 to Town Hall and the window box outside, the Transfer Station, and the Wheelock Village Store.

The polls will officially open from 10 AM to 7PM for **Australian Ballot** items, including Wheelock’s Articles 18 and 19 and items on the **Kingdom East School District** warning bit.ly/3x6E38r

Early voting begins February 15th, 2023 (if printed ballots are available at that time) so check with the Town Clerk first.

Wheelock will vote for the following elected officials from the floor: **Town Clerk, Treasurer, Selectboard, Lister, and Auditor—all 3 year terms. Auditor – 2 year term (to complete a 3 year term) Delinquent Tax Collector, 1st and 2nd Constable—1 year terms.**

The Silver Ridge Design architects’ proposal to improve the **Town Hall’s ADA access** includes a 3-stop lift (basement, entry, assembly area levels), 2 basement ADA bathrooms, minor stair changes, and ramp to the stage. Addressing the foundation’s crack and seasonal flooding is also needed. The Fire Marshall’s review is complete, as well as a preliminary review by the Vermont Division of Historic Preservation.

A Little Library for Wheelock

The **Wheelock Community Initiative** volunteers have admired little libraries in other communities and considered providing one for Wheelock. Options were to buy a kit or contact the high school woodworking program to construct one. At a recent meeting, however, committee member Tanya Brewer said that her husband Bradley could construct one. And he did! Check it out in Town Hall (awaiting some finishing touches).

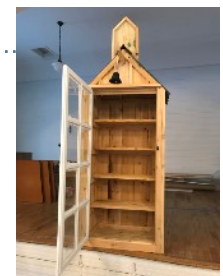


Selectboard:

Ann Lawless, Chair

Jim Blackbird

Michael Richardson



Town Clerk Vanessa Seguin

Office Hours: Tues. 10:30-5:30; Wed./Thurs. 8:30-2:30

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GOT HISTORY?

There's no time like the present to learn more about Wheelock's past.

The Cree Connection Pt.2

In addition to his public service to the town and the State, **Thomas Jefferson Cree**, b.1806-d.1880, a lawyer and community leader, also known as "Judge Cree", gave an important land gift to the town.

As described in the registration form for our "**Wheelock Common Historic District**" with the National Register of Historic Places: Judge Cree "donated a quarter acre parcel of land beside the Town Hall to receive the relocated and remodeled Wheelock Hollow Church (no longer standing, but both buildings had been side by side for almost 80 years). At the same time, he donated a smaller parcel between the road and the Town Hall and church lots for use as a "Public Common or Park."



Map Source: "FW. Beers Atlas, 1875"

Our historic district also includes the **Wheelock Village Cemetery**, a 3/4 acre parcel donated by **Ward Bradley** in **1860** for use as a cemetery (across from Wheelock Town Hall).

The legal transfer of the cemetery to the town, however, seems to have come somewhat after the fact: the description of the parcel reads "it being that portion that has been for some years occupied as a public burying ground." (Since 1827)



DOG LICENSES AVAILABLE NOW

You can also register by mail
Send up-to-date rabies certificate & fee to the
Town Clerk who will mail your certificate/tag.

Fee Schedule:

Neutered/Spayed \$9.00
Not Neutered/Spayed \$13.00

\$2 late fee after April 1, 2021



Town Meeting Australian Ballot Articles

Informational Meeting

Town Hall & via Zoom Wednesday March 1 6:00 pm

ARTICLE 18: Shall the voters of the **Town of Wheelock** adopt flood hazard regulations adequate for acceptance into the National Flood Insurance Program?

ARTICLE 19: Shall bonds or notes of the **Town of Wheelock** in an amount not to exceed Two Hundred and Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$215,000.00), subject to reduction from funds in a reserve account, be issued for the purpose of purchasing a new ten-wheel dump truck to replace the '09 International?

KINGDOM EAST UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

Informational Meeting at Hilton Hall

64 Campus Lane, Lyndon Center

Monday, March 6, 2023, at 5:00 p.m

(Articles below are condensed to fit the space)

ARTICLE 1: To elect the following officers to serve from their election and qualification for one year or until the election and qualification of their successors: • Clerk. • Treasurer. • Asst. Treasurer

ARTICLE 2: To approve compensation, to be paid to District Officers: • Clerk. • Treasurer. • Assistant Treasurer

ARTICLE 3: To elect seven (7) school directors from the nominees to serve on the Kingdom East Unified Union School District Board.

•One (1) school director who is a resident of each of the towns of Burke, Concord, Lunenburg, Lyndon, Newark, and Sutton for a 3-year term.

•One (1) school director who is a resident of Lyndon for a two-year term.

ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters of the Kingdom East Unified Union School District approve the Board of School Directors to expend \$41,069,545 which is the amount the Board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters of the Kingdom East Unified Union School District authorize the School Board to transfer the total amount (100%) of surplus funds in the school year ending June 30, 2023, if any, to the KESD Educational Facilities Reserve Fund?

ARTICLE 6: Shall the voters of the district authorize the Board of School Directors to accept and expend such grant monies as may from time to time become available to the school district?

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM.