



# VILLAGE OF ESSEX JUNCTION INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR INFORMATIONAL HEARING AGENDA

**April 7:** Online  
Essex Junction, VT 05452  
**April 13:** Essex High School  
2 Educational Drive

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## Informational Hearing

Wednesday, April 7, 2021

1. **CALL TO ORDER** [7:00 PM]
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **NATIONAL ANTHEM**
4. **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENT** regarding different format for 2021 Village Annual Meeting
5. **PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ABOUT ARTICLE 1:** Shall the voters approve an annual General Fund Budget in the amount of \$5,641,278 for fiscal year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, \$3,745,866 of which is to be levied in taxes against the Village Grand List?
6. **PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ABOUT ARTICLE 2:** Shall the Village authorize the transfer of the remaining balance in the Land Acquisition Fund, estimated balance to be approximately \$82,700 to the Economic Development Fund to be used for downtown development.
7. **PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ABOUT ARTICLE 3:** Shall the voters approve extending the one cent Capital Improvement tax (also known as Economic Development tax), as established in 2016, to be reconsidered at annual meeting in 2024.
8. **PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ABOUT ARTICLE 4:** Shall the annual stipend for the position of a Trustee of the Village Board of Trustees be raised from \$500 to \$1,000?
9. **PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ABOUT ARTICLE 5:** Shall the voters approve holding the 2022 Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 6, 2022 to act upon any articles not involving voting by Australian ballot and to reconvene on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 to vote for the Village officers and transact any business involving voting by Australian ballot?
10. **ANNOUNCEMENT AND DISCUSSION ABOUT ARTICLE 6:** By a non-binding resolution, shall the Essex Junction Board of Trustees be advised to draft a charter to create the independent City of Essex Junction, for consideration by the Village of Essex Junction voters no later than November 2021, should efforts seeking a vote for reconsideration on the issue of merger fail. We advise that the charter shall not include any union municipal districts, interlocal contracts, special tax districts or other relationships within the Town of Essex for the provision of Village Government services. The only exception may be for the consideration of police services.
11. **ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT ARTICLE 7:** To elect Village officers required by law including: Moderator (one-year term); two Village Trustees (2 three-year terms); one Library Trustee (five-year term)?
12. **PUBLIC TO BE HEARD**
13. **ADJOURN**

## Annual Meeting

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

[7:00 AM]

The legal voters of the Village of Essex Junction are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Essex Community Educational Center on Educational Drive in the Village of Essex Junction on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 to transact the following business by Australian ballot. Said voting by Australian ballot to begin at 7:00 AM and close at 7:00 PM.

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