

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF CABOT, VERMONT
MARCH 3, 2026**

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- Use BLACK Pen to fill in the oval. **DO NOT USE PENCIL.**
- To vote for a person whose name is printed on the ballot, fill in the oval to the right of the name of that person.
- To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the person's name in the blank space provided and fill in the oval to the right of the write-in line. Please use block letters and stay within the box provided for write-ins.
- Do not vote for more candidates than the "VOTE for NOT MORE THAN #" for an office.
- If you make a mistake, tear, or deface the ballot, return it to an election official and obtain another ballot. **DO NOT ERASE.**

FOR SELECTPERSON FOR 2 YEARS Vote for not more than ONE	FOR TOWN CLERK FOR 3 YEARS Vote for not more than ONE	FOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR FOR 2 YEARS Vote for not more than ONE
WALTER (SKIP) BOTHFELD 296 <input type="radio"/>	BRITTANY BUTLER 347 <input type="radio"/>	JASON MONACO 303 <input type="radio"/>
MICHAEL WALBRIDGE 101 <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) 33 <input type="radio"/>	(Write-in) 14 <input type="radio"/>
(Write-in) 4 <input type="radio"/>		FOR SCHOOL DIRECTOR FOR 3 YEARS Vote for not more than ONE
FOR SELECTPERSON FOR 3 YEARS Vote for not more than ONE		ELLEN CAIRNS 326 <input type="radio"/>
FRED DUCHARME 382 <input type="radio"/>		(Write-in) 6 <input type="radio"/>
(Write-in) 8 <input type="radio"/>		

TOWN ARTICLES

Art. 8. Shall the voters of the Town of Cabot appropriate the sum of \$968,191 to defray the General Expenses of the Town, with an estimated \$194,793 to come from income and \$773,398 from local taxes?

318 YES

105 NO

Art. 9. Shall the voters of the Town of Cabot appropriate the sum of \$1,130,766 to repair and maintain the Highways of the Town including summer, winter, and special treatment, of which an estimated \$160,000 is to come from income and \$970,766 from local taxes?

362 YES

62 NO

Art. 10. Shall the voters of the Town of Cabot give the Selectboard and the Town Treasurer the authority to borrow up to \$125,000 through the Vermont Bond Bank at approximately 2.9% interest for 10 years for the purpose of purchasing new radios for the Cabot Fire Department to replace current radios which are obsolete and are not supported by any current vendors of software?

245 YES

176 NO

Art. 11. Shall the voters of the Town of Cabot give the Town Listers the authority to increase the exemption from \$5,000 to \$25,000 of value of business personal property of all taxpayers subject to such tax?

284 YES

119 NO

Art. 12. Shall the voters of the Town of Cabot grant to the Cabot Conservation Committee a sum of up to \$10,000 for the removal and proper disposal of an estimated 1,000 to 1,500 used tires that have been dumped into and along a stream and wetland in Lower Cabot from CCIF funds available for Town Meeting grants in 2026?

148 YES

277 NO

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT

TOWN ARTICLES CONTINUED

Art. 13. Shall the voters of the Town of Cabot approve construction of a new Volunteer Fire Department building at 2466 Main Street (between 2506 and 2454 Main, the old Gochey/Marcotte property, Cabot, Vermont.) *“Non-binding advisory only”*

176 YES

245 NO

SCHOOL ARTICLES

Art. 5. Shall the voters of the Cabot School District approve the school board to expend \$4,792,620, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? The Cabot School District estimates that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in per pupil education spending of, \$14,629, which is 2.1% higher than per pupil education spending for the current year.

226 YES

203 NO

Art. 6. Shall the voters of the Cabot School District authorize the Board of School Directors to borrow money to pay its lawful debts and expenses for the fiscal year which ends June 30, 2027, in an amount not to exceed 90% of the anticipated collection of taxes and receipts of other funds to be used for those purposes?

264 YES

154 NO

Art. 7. Shall the voters of the Cabot School District authorize the Cabot School Board to hold any audited fund balance as of June 30, 2026, in a reserve fund to be expended under the control and direction of the Board of School Directors for the purpose of operating the school?

290 YES

131 NO

VOTE BOTH SIDES OF BALLOT