

TOWN OF PANTON

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Panton Selectboard hereby warns and notices the following proposed amendment by addition to the Town Charter.

"Subchapter 5. Recall of elected Town Officers

Any elected town officer may be removed from office subject to the following conditions and procedures;

- A written petition, signed by not less than 15 percent of the registered voters of the town, seeking the removal of such town officers, and requesting a vote of the town at a regular or special town meeting called for the purpose, shall be filed with the Selectboard and the Town Clerk.
- If the petition is filed no more than 60 days, and at least 47 days before the next regular Town Meeting, the Selectboard shall place the question of whether the elected officer shall be removed on the warning for the next regular Town Meeting. Otherwise, the Selectboard shall call a Special Town Meeting, to be held within 45 days of receiving the petition, to vote on whether the elected officer shall be removed. In either case, the recall vote shall be held by Australian ballot.
- When such a petition is approved by a majority of the ballots cast at said Regular or Special Town Meeting, the town officer named in the petition shall thereupon cease to hold their office.
- The officer shall be removed only if at least as many registered voters of the Town vote to approve the petition as voted in the election wherein the officer was elected, or at least one-third of the registered voters of the Town vote, whichever is fewer.
- A vacancy resulting from the recall of an officer shall be filled in the manner prescribed by law.
- A recall petition shall not be brought against an individual more than once within 12 months."

The Selectboard of the Town of Panton will hold two (2) hearings on this proposed amendment on the following dates and times-**Wednesday, April 9th at 5:30 p.m., and Wednesday, April 16th, at 5:30 p.m.** Both hearings will be held at the Panton Town Hall, 2nd Floor, and available online. Please visit the Town's website at pantonvt.us for more information and a link to the hearings.