WARNING FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF WATERBURY

TO BE HELD MARCH 4, 2025

The inhabitants of the Town of Waterbury who are legal voters in Town Meetings are hereby notified and warned to conduct business to meet in the Brookside Primary School Gym at 47 Stowe Street at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon on March 4th, 2025 to act on the following matters:

Article 1: To elect a Moderator to preside at the meetings of the Town whose term of office shall be for the ensuing year.

Article 2: To elect by Australian ballot the following offices: one Select Board member for 3-year term and two Select Board members for 1-year term each; Lister for a 3-year term; Cemetery Commissioner for a 5-year term and one Cemetery Commissioner to fill an unexpired term for 4 years; Library Commissioner for a 5-year term.

Article 3: To elect by Australian ballot for the Harwood Unified Union School District: School Director for a 3-year term; School Director for a 1-year unexpired term and two School Directors for a 2-year unexpired term each.

Note: The polls for voting by Australian ballot on Articles 2 and 3 will be open from seven o'clock in the forenoon to seven o'clock in the afternoon at Brookside Primary School at 47 Stowe Street.

Article 4: To act upon the reports of the several Town Officers with the exception of claims for fees or compensation during 2024.

Article 5: To act with respect to claims of Town Officers for their services during 2024.

Article 6: Shall the tax warrant on real property be dated July 1, 2025, and the taxes be due in two installments, with the first installment due and payable on August 15th, 2025 and the second installment due and payable on November 7th, 2025?

Article 7: Shall each tax installment be paid in hand at the Municipal Office by 5:30 p.m. on the due date without discount and interest be charged at the maximum allowed by statute, not to exceed one and one-half percent per month or portion thereof on each installment and a late penalty of eight percent by charged as allowed by statute on taxes not paid when due?

Article 8: Shall the Town of Waterbury adopt all budget articles by Australian ballot pursuant to 17 V.S.A. §2680(c), as opposed to a traditional floor vote?

Article 9: Shall the Town of Waterbury vote on all public questions by Australian ballot pursuant 17 V.S.A. §2680(d), as opposed to a traditional floor vote?

Article 10: Shall the voters approve a total of \$3,683,570 in general expenses, \$1,401,708 in highway expenses, \$631,572 in library expenses, and \$72,401 in cemetery expenses, of which \$4,460,945 will be raised from property taxes and \$1,328,306 from other non-property tax revenues?

Article 11: To see if the voters will authorize the selectboard to transfer up to \$380,000 from the Town's tax stabilization fund for the purchase of a fire vehicle, with the funds repaid from Local Option Tax revenues, over a period not to exceed 3-years.

Article 12: To see if the voters will authorize the selectboard to transfer up to \$310,000 from the Town's tax stabilization fund for the purchased of a public works vehicle, with the funds repaid from Local Option Tax revenues, over a period not to exceed 3-years.

Article 13: Shall the voters authorize \$520,000 in expenditures for capital improvements?

Article 14: To see if the voters of the Town will, during 2025, appropriate from Local Option Tax revenues:

- \$150,000 for gravel road materials and repairs
- \$25,000 towards highway capital fund needs
- \$17,500 towards development of conceptual plans and cost estimates for a new recreational facility
- \$75,000 to capitalize the Town's housing trust fund
- \$25,000 towards a security system for the municipal building
- \$55,000 towards resurfacing the shallow end of the pool
- \$50,000 towards consulting services to assist the Planning and Conservation Commissions with Town Plan updates.

Article 15: To see if the voters of the Town will, during 2025, appropriate:

- \$1,000 for support of Capstone Community Action
- \$1,375 for support of Circle
- \$500 for support of Community Harvest of Central Vermont
- \$1,500 for support of Downstreet Housing and Community Development
- \$1,500 for support of Elevate Youth Services
- \$500 for support of Everybody Wins! Vermont
- \$1,000 for the support of the Family Center of Washington County
- \$1,000 for support of Friends of Waterbury Reservoir
- \$500 for support of Good Beginnings of Central Vermont
- \$250 for support of OUR House of Central Vermont
- \$1,000 for support of the People's Health and Wellness Clinic
- \$500 for support of the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired
- \$600 for support of the Vermont Center for Independent Living
- \$800 for the support of the Waterbury Community Band

Article 16: Shall the Town of Waterbury vote to appropriate \$2,000 for support of the American Red Cross?

Article 17: Shall the Town of Waterbury vote to appropriate \$2,000 for support of Central Vermont Adult Basic Education?

Article 18: Shall the Town of Waterbury vote to appropriate \$2,250 for the support of Central Vermont Council on Aging and AmeriCorps Senior RSVP?

Article 19: Shall the Town of Waterbury vote to appropriate \$4,000 for support of the Early Education Resource Center of Waterbury ("Children's Room")?

Article 20: Shall the Town of Waterbury vote to appropriate \$2,383 for support of the Green Mountain Transit Agency?

Article 21: Shall the Town of Waterbury vote to appropriate \$2,500 for the support of the Harry N. Cutting American Legion?

Article 22: Shall the Town of Waterbury vote to appropriate \$975 for support of Mosaic Vermont?

Article 23: Shall the Town of Waterbury vote to appropriate \$2,500 for the support of the Waterbury Area MakerSphere Cooperative?

Article 24: Shall the Town of Waterbury vote to appropriate \$6,500 for the Waterbury Area Senior Citizens Association in addition to the amount included in the General Fund Budget for such purpose?

Article 25: Shall the Town of Waterbury vote to appropriate \$2,500 for support of Waterbury Local Energy Action Partnership (LEAP)?

Article 26: Shall the Town of Waterbury vote to appropriate \$3,000 for the support of Washington County Mental Health Services?

Dated at Waterbury, Vermont the 29th day of January 2025.

Alyssa Johnson, Chair

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Karen Petrovic, Town Clerk

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