WARNING FOR VERNON 2021 TOWN MEETING CONTINUED

The legal voters of the Vernon Town are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Vernon Town Hall lawn, 567 Governor Hunt Road, at 2:00 pm on Sunday, May 23, 2021, in said Town to act upon Articles 4 through 31 below. Articles 1 through 3 were voted by Australian ballot on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, with the remainder of the articles to be considered at an in-person gathering of the Town voters, once such a gathering was permitted under State guidelines in the COVID-19 pandemic.

If necessary to comply with regulations on gatherings, the Selectboard may continue this meeting to a future date, in which case the voters will be notified through direct mail to all addresses in the Town, postings at Town Hall and Town website updates at https://vernonVT.org.

The Town Report and Auditor's Report of the Year Ended June 30, 2020 are available in the Town Clerk's Office and on the website.

ARTICLE 4: Shall the voters authorize the total general fund expenditure for operating expenses of \$1,962,032.55 of which \$1,642,632.55 shall be raised by taxes, \$282,500.00 by estimated income and \$36,900.00 to be carried over from FY20-21?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the voters appropriate a total Library fund expenditure of \$91,105.00 to be raised by taxes for administration of the Vernon Free Library?

ARTICLE 6: To elect a Library Trustee to fill the unexpired term of one year through Town Meeting in March of 2022.

ARTICLE 7: To elect a Library Trustee to fill the unexpired term of one year through Town Meeting in March of 2022.

ARTICLE 8: To elect a Library Trustee to fill the term of three years through Town Meeting in March of 2024.

ARTICLE 9: To elect a Library Trustee to fill the term of three years through Town Meeting in March of 2024.

ARTICLE 10: To elect the Marsh Fund Committee (2 members).

ARTICLE 11: To elect a Memorial Day Committee (2 members).

ARTICLE 12: Shall the voters appropriate \$160,974.00 for the funding of items approved in the Capital Plan of which \$37,005.00 is to be raised by taxes?

ARTICLE 13: Shall the voters appropriate \$108,000.00 for municipal refuse, town wide recycling and compost

disposal to be raised by taxes to fund the previously established "Solid Waste Fund"?

ARTICLE 14: Shall the voters appropriate \$14,518.00 for the Windham Solid Waste District Assessment to be raised by taxes to fund the previously established "Solid Waste Fund"?

ARTICLE 15: Shall the Town continue the Pay-As-You-Throw program for residential trash collection?

ARTICLE 16: (If the vote is NO on Article 15) Shall the voters authorize the town to dissolve the Pay-As-You-Throw Fund and cover negative expenditures from the Solid Waste Fund?

ARTICLE 17: Shall the Town continue curbside recycling for residential customers?

ARTICLE 18: Shall the voters appropriate \$25,000.00 to be raised by taxes to fund the "Professional Services Fund"?

ARTICLE 19: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be raised by taxes to fund the "Emergency Repair/Replacement Fund"?

ARTICLE 20: Shall the voters appropriate \$100,000.00 to be raised by taxes to fund the "Town Road Upgrading Fund"?

ARTICLE 21: Shall the voters appropriate \$40,000.00 to be raised by taxes to fund the "Town Culvert Fund"?

ARTICLE 22: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to be raised by taxes to fund the "Town Parking Lots Maintenance Fund"?

ARTICLE 23: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be raised by taxes to fund the previously established "Elderly Assistance Fund"?

ARTICLE 24: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$1,100.00 to be raised by taxes to fund the Vernon Historians for the purpose of records preservation, retention and promotion of history educational initiatives and insurance coverage?

ARTICLE 25: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$7,200.00 to be raised by taxes to support the following in the designated amounts?

Visiting Nurses & Hospice of VT and NH \$3,250.00 SEVCA (Southeast Vermont Community Action) \$2,100.00

HCRS (Health Care and Rehabilitation Services of Southeastern Vermont) \$1,850.00.

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ARTICLE 26: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 to be raised by taxes for the operation of the Emergency Management Office?

ARTICLE 27: Shall the voters appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 to be raised by taxes to fund the previously established Vernon Farmland Protection Fund?

ARTICLE 28: Shall the voters in the town of Vernon appropriate the sum of \$6,618.00 to be raised by taxes for the support of Southeastern Vermont Economic Development Strategies (SeVEDS) to provide workforce and economic coordination services to the Windham Region?

ARTICLE 29: Shall the voters authorize payment of Real and Personal Property taxes to the Town Treasurer in three installments, with the due dates being September 16, 2021, January 13, 2022 and May 5, 2022?

ARTICLE 30: Shall the voters approve the provision of notice of availability of the Town Report and Auditor's Report by "postcard, mailed to all registered voters" at least 30 days prior to Town Meeting, in lieu of mailing or otherwise distributing the Town Report and Auditor's Report as authorized by Vermont Law and 24 V.S.A. § 1682(a)(2)?

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS BELOW:

Bring Your Own Lawn Chairs

State Law Requires:

- > Cloth face coverings for everyone (the Town will have masks if you need them).
- > We need to stay 6' apart from other households.
- > We all need to answer health questions before entering (symptoms, traveling, etc.).
- > The Town must maintain a log of everyone present.
- > We won't be able to have lunch together, and no tabling is allowed.
- > No remote entry (or Zoom) permitted for voting.

Questions? Call us at 257-0292, email <u>clerk@vernonvt.org</u> or check the website VernonVT.org.

New Residents Welcome!