

# TOWN OF WAITSFIELD

## WARNING FOR ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 3, 2015

The legal voters of the Town of Waitsfield, County of Washington, State of Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Elementary School Auditorium on **Tuesday, March 3, 2015** at **9:00 A.M.** to transact the following business and to vote by Australian Ballot between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. for the various Town Officers and the Articles so noted.

**ARTICLE 1:** To elect a Moderator for the Town.

**ARTICLE 2:** To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.

**ARTICLE 3:** Shall the voters authorize the Town to collect taxes on real estate by four (4) equal payments made to the Treasurer as follows: one quarter (25%) of taxes to be paid without discount not later than Thursday, September 20, 2015, the second quarter (25%) of taxes to be paid without discount not later than Thursday, November 12, 2015, the third quarter (25%) of taxes to be paid without discount not later than Thursday, February 11, 2016, with the remaining quarter (25%) to be paid without discount not later than Thursday, May 12, 2016?

**ARTICLE 4:** Shall the voters authorize the Town to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes and State Aid Money?

**ARTICLE 5:** Shall the voters authorize the Town to borrow an amount not to exceed \$45,000, to be paid over a period not more than five years and on such other terms as the Selectboard shall negotiate, for the purpose of replacing the Fire Department's SCBA and Air Storage Cylinders?

**ARTICLE 6:** Shall the voters authorize the Town to borrow an amount not to exceed \$165,000, to be paid over a period not more than five years and on such other terms as the Selectboard shall negotiate, for the purpose of paving Tremblay Road and North Road?

**ARTICLE 7:** Shall the voters authorize the Town to borrow an amount not to exceed \$75,000, to be paid over a period not more than five years and on such other terms as the Selectboard shall negotiate, for the purpose of paving parts of Joslin Hill Road?

**ARTICLE 8:** Shall the voters authorize the Culvert Replacement Projects Reserve Fund to be renamed the Bridge and Culvert Reserve Fund and to allocate \$10,000 to it?

**ARTICLE 9:** Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to set the salaries of the Town Clerk and Town Treasurer pursuant to Title 24 V.S.A. Sections 932 and 933?

**ARTICLE 10:** Shall the voters vote a budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Town and authorize the Selectboard to set a tax rate sufficient to provide for the voted Town and School District budgets?

**ARTICLE 11:** Shall the voters authorize the Joslin Memorial Library Board of Trustees to increase its size from five up to a number not to exceed seven?

**ARTICLE 12:** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

TO BE VOTED ON BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

The legal voters of the Town of Waitsfield, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Waitsfield Elementary School in the Town of Waitsfield on **Tuesday, March 3, 2015** between the hours of seven o'clock in the forenoon (7:00 a.m.), at which time the polls will open, and seven o'clock in the afternoon (7:00 p.m.), at which time the polls will close, to vote by Australian ballot upon the following Articles of business:

ARTICLE I

Shall the Town adopt the proposed Town of Waitsfield Charter?

ARTICLE II

Shall general obligation bonds of the Town of Waitsfield in an amount not to exceed four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) be issued for the purpose of financing the rehabilitation of the

Big Eddy Covered Bridge; repair or replacement of the culverts, catch basins, and associated stormwater infrastructure on Bridge Street; repair of the retaining wall damaged by Tropical Storm Irene; resetting existing and installation of new curbing; replacement of the sidewalks; and repaving of the road from its intersection with Main Street to the Covered Bridge? The total cost of the projects is expected to be \$964,000, of which cost it is estimated \$150,000 will be paid from reserve funds and \$416,000 will be paid from available state and federal grants-in-aid.

The legal voters of the Town of Waitsfield are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said special meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

The legal voters of the Town of Waitsfield are further notified that an informational meeting will be held on **Monday, March 2, 2015** at seven o'clock in the afternoon (7:00 p.m.) at the Waitsfield Elementary School in the Town of Waitsfield, for the purpose of explaining the proposed improvements and the financing thereof.

**Dated at Waitsfield, Vermont, this 26th day of January, 2015 by:**

**Waitsfield Selectboard:**

Paul Hartshorn, Chair  
Logan Cooke, V. Chair  
Scott Kingsbury  
Christopher Pierson  
Salvatore Spinosa