

TOWN OF WAITSFIELD

**WARNING
FOR ANNUAL MEETING
MARCH 6, 2007**

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 6, 2007 at 10:00 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: Will the Town authorize the Selectboard to acquire by gift or purchase, land for a municipal forest to procure wood products, maintain wildlife habitat, protect water species, provide forest recreation, and for conservation education purposes?

ARTICLE 4: Will the Town vote to collect taxes on real estate by two (2) equal payments made to the Treasurer as follows: Half (50%) of taxes to be paid without discount not later than Monday, September 3, 2007, with the remaining half (50%) to be paid without discount not later than Thursday, November 15, 2007?

ARTICLE 5: Will the Town 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 6: Will the Town authorize the Selectboard to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes and State Aid Money?

ARTICLE 7: Will the Town raise and appropriate a sum of \$85,000 to be added to the Town's Reserve Funds as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Equipment - Road Dept. Truck Reserve	\$30,000
Equipment - Road Dept. Heavy Equipment Reserve	15,000
Equipment - Fire Dept. Truck Reserve	15,000
Joslin Memorial Library Repair Reserve	2,500
Restroom, Recreation & Conservation Reserve	2,500
Route 100 Transportation Path Reserve	15,000
Street Trees Reserve Fund	<u>5,000</u>
Total	\$85,000

ARTICLE 8: Will the Town vote to authorize the Selectboard to establish a reserve fund for the purpose of repairing the roof of the Waitsfield-Fayston Fire Station and to

appropriate the sum of \$7,000 to establish such fund in 2007?

ARTICLE 9: Will the Town vote to increase the term of Town Treasurer from a one-year term to a three-year term, as provided in 17 V.S.A. §2646(3), commencing with the elections to be held in March of 2008?

ARTICLE 10: Will the Town vote to increase the term of Town Clerk from a one-year term to a three-year term, as provided in 17 V.S.A. §2646(2), commencing with the elections to be held in March of 2008?

ARTICLE 11: Will the Town vote to increase the number of members of the Conservation Commission from five (5) to nine (9)?

ARTICLE 12: Will the Town vote to renew and extend for a maximum period of three years ending March 31, 2010, the Agricultural Tax Stabilization Agreement for farm lands, to the extent allowed by State law? (This program was adopted by the voters of the Town at the Annual Town Meeting of 1986 and renewed and extended by articles passed at Town Meetings in 1989, 1992, 1995, 1998, 2001, and 2004.)?

ARTICLE 13: Will the Town 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 14: WTo transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Waitsfield Selectboard:

Elwin A. Neill, Jr., Chairman

Charles Hosford

J. LeRoy Hadden, D.V.M.

Paul Hartshorn