

# TOWN OF WAITSFIELD

## WARNING FOR ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 1, 2016

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 1, 2016** at **5:00 P.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 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 4:** 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 15, 2016, the second quarter (25%) of taxes to be paid without discount not later than Tuesday, November 15, 2016, the third quarter (25%) of taxes to be paid without discount not later than Wednesday, February 15, 2017, with the remaining quarter (25%) to be paid without discount not later than Monday, May 15, 2017?

**ARTICLE 5:** Shall the voters authorize the Town to borrow money annually from reserve fund accounts in anticipation of Taxes and State Aid Money as an alternative to commercial tax anticipation borrowing, with such reserve funds to be repaid in full to the respective accounts with interest until voters authorize or direct otherwise?

**ARTICLE 6:** Shall the voters authorize the Town to borrow an amount not to exceed \$120,000, 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 Old County Road and Fire Station parking lot?

**ARTICLE 7:** 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 8:** Shall the voters renew the exemption of the Waitsfield Couple's Club Recreation Field from real estate taxes for a period of five (5) years pursuant to Title 32 V.S.A. Section 3840?

**ARTICLE 9:** Shall the voters renew the exemption of the Mad River Valley Ambulance Service, Inc., facility located at 4177 Main Street from real estate taxes for a period of five (5) years pursuant to Title 32 V.S.A. Section 3840, and including an exemption from the educational grand list as property owned by a non-profit volunteer rescue or ambulance organization pursuant to Title 32 V.S.A. Section 5404?

**ARTICLE 10:** Shall the voters renew and extend for a maximum period of three years ending March 31, 2019, 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, 2004, 2007, 2010, and 2013.)

**ARTICLE 11:** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Waitsfield, Vermont, this 28th day of January, 2016 by:

Waitsfield Selectboard:

Paul Hartshorn, Chair  
Salvatore Spinosa, V. Chair  
Logan Cooke  
Kari Dolan  
Scott Kingsbury