PUBLIC NOTICE - VOTER INFORMATION

TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017

ANNUAL TOWN AND TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

The FLOOR MEETING begins at 10am at Twin Valley Elementary School School District meeting first, followed by Town meeting

ELECTION OF TOWN & SCHOOL OFFICERS

The Australian Ballot polls will open at 7:00am and will close at 7:00pm

The polling place is located at: TWIN VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

360 VT ROUTE 100 NORTH, WILMINGTON, VERMONT

WILMINGTON TOWN CLERK

IMPORTANT DATES:

<u>CHECKLIST</u>: posted at Town Clerk's Office no later than **February 5**, **2017**. If your name is not on the checklist, then you must register to vote in order to participate.

SAMPLE BALLOTS POSTED: no later than **February 15, 2017**.

REGISTER TO VOTE: Anyone wishing to register to vote may do so in person at the Town Clerk's Office during the regular office hours. Registering to vote is also available online at the Vermont Secretary of State's website at https://www.olvr.sec.state.vt.us/

EARLY or ABSENTEE BALLOTS: You can request early absentee ballots at any time during the election year. The latest you can request ballot(s) for the Town & School Officers Election on March 7, 2017 is the close of the Town Clerk's office on **Monday, March 6, 2017**. You or a family member can request early ballots in person, in writing or by telephone. An authorized person can request ballots for you in writing.

Contact the Town Clerk's office with questions regarding voting. Tel: 464-5836 or by email at shaughwout@wilmingtonvt.us or pjohnson@wilmingtonvt.us

THE PAGES FOLLOWING THIS COVER CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO VOTERS INCLUDING:

OFFICIAL WARNING
SAMPLE BALLOT(S) – posted by required date
CHECKLIST OF REGISTERED VOTERS
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VOTING PROCESS INFORMATION
VOTERS' RIGHTS
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2017 W A R N I NG ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Wilmington, Vermont Tuesday, March 7, 2017

The legal voters of the Town of Wilmington are hereby notified and warned to meet in the Twin Valley Elementary School in said Wilmington, Vermont, at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, March 07, 2017, to consider and act on the following articles not involving voting by Australian Ballot. (Voting for all Australian Ballot articles will be held in the Twin Valley Elementary School in said Wilmington, Vermont, on March 07, 2017, from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.)

All Town Meeting articles not involving voting by Australian Ballot are to be taken up at the conclusion of the Town School District Meeting.

- Article 1: To elect all Town and Town School District Officers required by law and the vote of the Town. (Australian Ballot Polls open 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M.)
- Article 2: To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Report.
- Article 3: To see what date or dates will be set for the payment of taxes (8/18/17 and 2/23/18).
- Article 4: "Shall the voters authorize the replacement of Look Road bridge in an amount not to exceed \$444,000 to be financed over a period not to exceed five years." pursuant to 17 V.S.A.\square\$ 1786a(c).
- Article 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate up to \$18,000 to fund recycling at the former town garage site.
- Article 6 "Shall the Town of Wilmington adopt its ballot system for any article relating to the following question; "Shall the Town of Wilmington adopt its budget articles and vote all public questions by Australian ballot?" consistent with 17 VSA\$ 2680?
- Article 7 To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,000 to Southeastern Vermont Community Action (SEVCA) to assist Wilmington in responding to the emergency needs of the community and providing all available and applicable services to families and individuals in need.
- Article 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,081,905 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the General Fund for fiscal year 2018 (7/1/17 to 6/30/18).
- Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,337,735 to care for the expenses and liabilities of the Town Road Budget for fiscal year 2017 (7/1/17 to 6/30/18).
- Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$200,000 to fund the Highway Town Road Equipment Capital Fund
- Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$125,000 to fund the Fire Department Equipment Capital Fund
- Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$20,000 to fund the Memorial Hall Capital Fund
- Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$12,000 to fund the Library Capital Reserve Fund
- Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000 to fund the Playground Capital Reserve Fund
- Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to fund the Town Hall Capital Fund
- Article 16: To transact any non-binding business.

Dated at Wilmington, Vermont this 23th day of January 2017.

Selectboard of the Town of Wilmington

zgerald, Chairman

John Gannon, Vice Chair

Susan Joy Haughwout

Diane Chanman

Vince Rice Secretary

WARNING WILMINGTON TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 7 MARCH 2017

The legal voters of the Wilmington Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Twin Valley Elementary School Gymnasium in said Town of Wilmington, Vermont on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 between 7:00 a.m. (at which time the polls open) and 7:00 p.m. (at which time the polls close) to act upon Article I, Article II by Australian Ballot.

Informational meetings will be conducted on Tuesday February 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in conjunction with the Tri-Board regularly scheduled meeting at the Twin Valley Elementary in Wilmington and on Thursday March 2, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Twin Valley Middle/High School in Whitingham.

ARTICLE I

To elect all Wilmington Town School District officers required by law and the Town. (Australian Ballot Polls open at 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.)

ARTICLE II

Shall the voters of the School District approve the School Board to expend \$9,445,523, which is the amount the School Board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved will result in education spending of \$19,078 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 11.6% higher that spending for the current year. (Australian Ballot Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.)

ARTICLE III

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Dated at Wilmington, Vermont this 31 day of January 2017.

Wilmington School Directors

WILMINGTON, VERMONT Town Clerk

Received for Record FEBRUARY 1, 2017

Susan Joy Haughwout, Clerk

9:20AM