TOWN OF CASTLETON WARNING

The legal voters of the Town of Castleton, in the County of Rutland, and the State of Vermont, are hereby warned to meet in person at the Jefford's Science Center Auditorium, Castleton University or remotely via Zoom on Monday, March 6, 2023 at 6:30 pm for the informational Town Meeting; and on the first Tuesday in March, being March 7, 2023 at 8:00 am at the Town of Castleton Public Safety Building (aka the Castleton Fire Station) at 273 Rte. 30 N in said Town to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 1 through 47. Polls close at 7:00 pm on March 7, 2023.

Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85060865678
Meeting ID: 850 6086 5678

By Phone: 929 205 6099

THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES WILL BE VOTED ON MARCH 7, 2023 BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ARTICLES 1 – 47

Article 1. To elect Officers for the following terms: two (2) Select Board members for 1 year; one (1) Select Board member for 3 years, One (1) Library Trustee for 5 years; One (1) Constable for 2 years; One (1) Town Moderator for 1 year.

Article 2. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$28,714 for Legislating? (Prior year \$26,618)

Article 3. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$2,224 for Ordinances & Proceedings? (Prior year \$1,965)

Article 4. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$192,822 for Managing Municipalities? (Prior year \$184,500)

Article 5. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$9,808 for Conducting Elections? (Prior year \$12,271)

Article 6. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$46,238 for Collection, Custody & Disbursement of Funds? (Prior year \$48,817)

Article 7. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$115,867 for Accounting? (Prior year \$111,624)

Article 8. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for Auditing? (Prior year \$12,000)

Article 9. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$38,042 for Tax Listing? (Prior year \$34,383)

Article 10. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$41,040 for Tax Collecting? (Prior year \$42,592)

Article 11. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$86,602 for Document Recording/Issue? (Prior year \$83,051)

Article 12. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$25,000 for Legal Services? (Prior year \$20,000)

Article 13. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$45,702 for Municipal Planning & Zoning? (Prior year \$43,711)

Article 14. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$8,657 for Community Development & Economic Revitalization? (Prior year \$8,255)

Article 15. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$189,962 for General Government Buildings? (Prior year \$191,828)

Article 16. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$27,450 for General Government Equipment? (Prior year \$27,450)

Article 17. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$584,898 for Police Department? (Prior year \$531,182)

Article 18. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$38,782 for Emergency Medical Services? (Includes Regional Ambulance Service, Inc. & RAS/Castleton First Responders) (Prior year \$36,218)

Article 19. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$194,288 for Fire Department? (Prior year \$169,575)

Article 20. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$8,450 for Emergency Management? (Prior year \$8,550)

- Article 21. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,176,034 for Highway Department? (Prior year \$1,165,292)
- Article 22. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$23,517 for Town Lands? (Prior year \$3,900)
- Article 23. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for Historical Cemeteries? (Prior year \$5,000)
- Article 24. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$30,000 for the Hillside Cemetery? (Prior year \$29,000)
- Article 25. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,445 for Health Regulating & Inspecting? (Prior year \$1,443)
- Article 26. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$5,717 for Animal Control? (Prior year \$5,467)
- Article 27. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$20,745 for the Constable? (Prior year \$20,773)
- Article 28. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$377,221 for Transfer Station? (Prior year \$341,695)
- Article 29. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$182,336 for Recreation? (Prior year \$185,630)
- Article 30. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$12,200 for Memorial Day Decorations/July 4th Parade? (Prior year \$10,150)
- Article 31. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$116,000 for Library Administration? (Prior year \$116,000)
- Article 32. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,884 for Prevention/Control of Forest Fires? (Prior year \$1,500)
- Article 33. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$10,312 for Tree Warden? (Prior year \$10,159)
- Article 34. Shall the Town appropriate the sum of \$43,000 for Rutland County Tax? (Prior year \$43,000)
- Article 35. Shall the Town establish a Fire Department Reserve (non-vehicle) Fund to be used for the replacement of tools and equipment that meet or exceed the Town's capital expenditure threshold of \$5,000? (e.g., Self-contained Breathing Apparatus, Extrication Tools, Air Bottles, Communication Equipment, Ice Water Rescue Equipment, Wildland Fire Equipment, Air Tank Refill Station, etc.)
- Article 36. Shall the Town appropriate \$90,519 for the annual operating costs of the former Castleton Village School so it can be used for Recreation programming? (Not included in the budget) (With the expectation that the Town of Hubbardton pay its contractually mandated 11% share of said expenses).
- Article 37. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$3,500 for the support of ARC Rutland Area, determining that the program serves the residents of the Town with advocacy, resources, and community for citizens with developmental disabilities and their families? (Not included in the budget)
- Article 38. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$3,600 for administrative support of Castleton Cares, Inc., determining that the program serves the residents of the Town with emergency assistance to local people in need. (Not included in the budget)
- Article 39. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$25,000 for the support of Castleton Community Seniors, Inc., determining that the program serves residents of the Town with the operation of the Castleton Community Center (The Old Homestead)? (Not included in the budget)
- Article 40. Shall the Town of Castleton vote to raise, appropriate and expend the sum of \$3,500 for the support of the partial funding of Marble Valley Regional Transit Districts (The Bus) public transit service to the residents of the Town? (Not included in the budget)
- Article 41. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$6,720 to support the Rutland Area Visiting Nurses & Hospice (\$550 to support Rutland Area Hospice & \$6,170 to support RAVNAH Home and Community Health Services)? (Not included in the budget)
- Article 42. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$4,088 for the support of Rutland Mental Health Services, determining that the program serves residents of the Town with counseling, substance abuse and emergency services? (Not included in the budget)
- Article 43. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$900 for the support of RSVP and the Volunteer Center, determining that the program serves residents of the Town with volunteering opportunities and community services? (Not included in the budget)

Article 44. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$2,000 for the support of Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging, determining that the program serves residents of the Town with elder services? (Not included in the budget)

Article 45. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$1,000 for the support of Vermont Association for the Blind & Visually Impaired, determining that the program serves residents of the Town with services to enable the blind and visually impaired to achieve and maintain independence? (Not included in the budget)

Article 46. Shall the Town deem necessary and appropriate \$2,725 for the support of BROC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont, determining that the program serves residents of the Town with weatherization, emergency food and small business development? (Not included in the budget)

Article 47. Shall the Town authorize cannabis retailers in town pursuant to 7 V.S.A. Section 863?

Approved by the Selectboard at Castleton, Vermont this 23rd day of January 2023:

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