

**WARNING
ANNUAL ST. JOHNSBURY TOWN AND
TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEETING**

February 29 and March 1, 2016

The voters of the Town and Town School District of St. Johnsbury, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet on February 29, 2016 at the St. Johnsbury School Auditorium, 257 Western Avenue, and March 1, 2016 at the St. Johnsbury School, 257 Western Avenue, in the Town of St Johnsbury, as follows:

On Monday February 29, 2016 AT 7:30 PM

To meet only to discuss the following articles to be voted on March 1, 2016 by Australian ballot from 10AM to 7PM.

**ON TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2016
BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 10 A.M. AND 7 P.M.**

**TO VOTE ON THE FOLLOWING
TOWN AND TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING ARTICLES BY AUSTRALIAN
BALLOT***

To elect the following Town and Town School District Officers as required by Law: Town Moderator for one year, School District Moderator for one year, School District Treasurer for one year, Town Clerk for three years, Town Treasurer for three years, Selectperson for three years, Two Selectpersons for one year, First Constable for one year, One School Director for three years, One School Director for Two years, Two Town Grand Jurors for one year, Town Agent one year, and an Agent to Convey Real Estate for one year.

**TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
TO VOTE ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES**

ARTICLE 01. Shall the voters of the Town of St. Johnsbury School District approve the school board to expend \$16,681,857 in general funds, \$2,816,301 in grant funds, for a total of \$19,498,158, 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 \$12,430.47 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 3.27% higher than spending for the current year.

ARTICLE 02. Shall the Town School District Vote to hereafter collect its Town School District taxes by the Town Treasurer?

ARTICLE 03. Shall the voters of the Town of St. Johnsbury School District authorize the school board to fund a capital improvement reserve fund 100% from surplus funds, if any, at June 30, 2017?

ARTICLE 04. Shall the voters of the Town of St. Johnsbury School District authorize the school board to create a tuition reserve fund that directs that all gifts, donations, and bequests for this purpose be deposited into this fund?

**FOR THE TOWN MEETING
TO VOTE ON THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES**

ARTICLE 05. Shall the voters of the Town of St. Johnsbury authorize a General Fund Budget of \$2,975,706 of which, an amount not to exceed \$2,119,151 is to be raised by local property taxes for July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017?

ARTICLE 06. Shall the voters of the Town of St. Johnsbury authorize a Highway Fund Budget of \$2,833,830 of which, an amount not to exceed \$2,038,594 to be raised by local property taxes for July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017?

ARTICLE 07. Shall the voters residing within former Village of St. Johnsbury, as it was bounded December 31, 1965, authorize a Special Service Fund budget to pay current expenses and indebtedness incurred in continuing functions in that area which are not common to the Town of St. Johnsbury in an amount of \$1,325,993 of which, an amount not to exceed \$1,105,733 is to be assessed by the Selectboard on the Grand List of said former village for July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017?

ARTICLE 08. Shall the Town vote to hereafter collect its general, highway and special service taxes by its treasurer?

ARTICLE 09. Shall the town provide notice of the availability of the annual audit report by publishing notice in a newspaper of general circulation for the area and posting to the official town website at least 30 days before the annual meeting in lieu of mailing or otherwise distributing the report to the voters of the town pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 1682?

ARTICLE 10. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$5,500 for the Northeast Kingdom Youth Services to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 11. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$12,000 for the Good Living Senior Center to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 12. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$115,000 for the St. Johnsbury Athenaeum to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 13. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$770 for the St Johnsbury Town Band to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 14. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$18,382.00 for Caledonia Home Health Care and Hospice to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 15. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$76,030 for Caledonia – Essex Area Ambulance Service, Inc. to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 16. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$63,000 for the Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 17. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$14,400 for the St Johnsbury Kiwanis Club Pool to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 18. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$7,200 for the NEK Council on Aging (FKA: Area Agency on Aging) for Northeastern Vermont to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 19. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$6,750 for the St. Johnsbury Nutritional Center, Inc. Meals-On-Wheels to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 20. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$810 for the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 21. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$675 for the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired (VABVI) to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 22. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$13,050 for the Rural Community Transportation (“RCT”) to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 23. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$1,800 for the Northern Vermont Chapter of the American Red Cross to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 24. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$5,000 for Catamount Arts to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 25. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$9,500 for Umbrella, Inc. to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 26. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$7,983 for Northeast Kingdom Human Services to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

ARTICLE 27. Shall the Town voters authorize the expenditure of \$2,000 for Kingdom Animal Shelter to be raised by local property taxes for 2016?

PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION NOTICE

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS MAY BE PROVIDED UPON REQUEST TO ENSURE THAT THE MEETING IS ACCESSIBLE TO ALL INDIVIDUALS REGARDLESS OF DISABILITY. REQUESTS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO STACY JEWELL, TOWN CLERK, 51 DEPOT SQUARE, ST JOHNSBURY, VERMONT 05819 TELEPHONE (802) 748-4331.

DATED at St Johnsbury, Vermont this _____ day of February 2016.

Selectboard of the Town of St. Johnsbury School Directors of St. Johnsbury School District

Kevin Oddy, Chair

Becky Baldauf, Chair

Jeffrey Moore, Vice Chair

Richard Boisseau, Vice Chair

Timothy Angell

Tony Greenwood

Tom Moore

Patrick Ely

Jamie Murphy

Rob Mach

Attest: _____
Stacy Jewell, Town Clerk