

WARNING OF PUBLIC HEARING AND SPECIAL MEETING

TOWN OF FAIRFAX

The inhabitants of the Town of Fairfax who are legal voters in the SPECIAL TOWN MEETING are hereby notified and warned of a public hearing to be held in the Selectboard Meeting Room at the Fairfax Town Offices in Fairfax, Vermont at 12 Buck Hollow Road on Monday, August 6, 2018 at 6 p.m. for the purpose of a presentation and discussion of Article 1 of the Special Meeting to be held on August 14, 2018.

Article 1 is to be voted upon by the use of Australian ballot. The polls for voting open at the Old Gymnasium at Bellows Free Academy in Fairfax, Vermont on August 14, 2018 at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.

Article 1 Shall the registered voters of Fairfax approve the use of remaining funds from the 2017-2018 budget in the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) and authorize the Selectboard to borrow money by issuance of notes not in excess of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) for the purpose of covering unforeseen costs and completing Phase I of the Town Sidewalk Project if so needed?

Dated at Fairfax, County of Franklin, State of Vermont, this 9th day of July 2018



Steven Cormier, Chair



Randy DeVine, Vice-Chair



Duane Leach



Stephen Bessette



Sheri Rainville



Attest: Deborah Woodward, Town Clerk/Treasurer

NOTICE TO VOTERS For Local Elections

BEFORE ELECTION DAY:

CHECKLIST POSTED at Clerks Office by July 11, 2018. If your name is not on the checklist, then you must register to vote. **SAMPLE BALLOTS** will be posted by July 11, 2018.

HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE: There is no deadline to register to vote. You will be able to register to vote on the day of the election. You can register prior by visiting the town clerk's office or going online to olvr.sec.state.vt.us.

REQUEST EARLY or ABSENTEE BALLOTS: You or a family member can request early or absentee ballots at any time during the year of the election in person, in writing, by telephone, email, or online at mvp.sec.state.vt.us. The latest you can request ballots for the Special Town Meeting Election is the close of the Town Clerk's office on August 13, 2018. (Any other person authorized by you who is not a family member must apply in writing or in person for a ballot for you.)

WAYS TO VOTE YOUR EARLY BALLOT:

- You may vote in the town clerk's office before the deadline.
- Voter may take his or her ballot(s) out of the clerk's office and return in same manner as if the ballots were received by mail.
- Have ballot mailed to you, and mail or deliver it back to the clerk's office before Election Day or to the polling place before 7:00 p.m. on Election Day.
- If you are sick or disabled before Election Day, ask the town clerk to have two justices of the peace bring a ballot to you at your home. (Ballots can be delivered on any of the eight days preceding the day of the election or on the day of election.)

ON ELECTION DAY:

If your name was dropped from the checklist in error, or has not been added even though you submitted a timely application for addition to the checklist, you can fill out a new registration form.

! If the clerk or Board of Civil Authority does not add your name, you can appeal the decision to a superior court judge, who will settle the matter on Election Day. Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683) for more information.

If you are a first time voter who submitted your application to the checklist individually by mail and did not submit the required document, you must provide a current and valid photo identification, or a bank statement, utility bill, or government document that contains your name/current address.

If you have physical disabilities, are visually impaired or can't read, you may have assistance from any person of your choice. If any voters you know have disabilities let them know they can have assistance from any person of their choice.

If you know voters who cannot get from the car into the polling place let them know that ballot(s) may be brought to their car by two election officials.

If you have any questions or need assistance while voting, ask your town clerk or any election official for help.

NO PERSON SHALL:

- ! Vote more than once per election, either in the same town or in different towns.
- ! Mislead the board of civil authority about your own or another person's true residency or other eligibility to vote.
- ! Hinder or impede a voter going into or from the polling place.
- ! Socialize in a manner that could disturb other voters in the polling place.
- ! Offer bribe, threaten or exercise undue influence to dictate or control the vote of another person.

FOR HELP OR INFORMATION: Call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-VOTE (439-8683). (Accessible by TDD)

If you believe that any of your voting rights have been violated, you may file an Administrative Complaint with the Secretary of State's Office, 128 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05633.

If you believe you have witnessed efforts to commit any kind of fraud or corruption in the voting process, you may report this to your local United States Attorney's Office.

If you have witnessed actual or attempted acts of discrimination or intimidation in the voting process, you may report this to the Civil Rights Division of the United States Department of Justice at (800) 253-3931.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTERS using Paper Ballots

CHECK-IN AND RECEIVE BALLOTS:

- Go to the entrance checklist table.
- Give name and, if asked, street address to the election official in a loud voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.
- An election official will give you a ballot.
- Enter within the guardrail and go to a vacant voting booth.

MARK YOUR BALLOT: For each office listed on the ballot, you will see instructions to "Vote for not more than one, or Vote for not more than two, etc."

- To vote for a candidate, fill in the oval to the right of the name of the candidate you want to vote for.
- WRITE-IN candidate(s). To vote for someone whose name is not printed on the ballot, use the blank "write-in" lines on the ballot and either write-in the name or paste on sticker, then fill in the oval.

CHECK OUT:

- Go to the exit checklist table and state your name in an audible voice.
- Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.

CAST YOUR VOTE by depositing your voted ballot in "Voted Ballots" box.

LEAVE the voting area immediately by passing outside the guardrail.

Attest: *Wahwahwahwah*
Town Clerk/Treasurer
July 11, 2018

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
SPECIAL MEETING
FAIRFAX, VERMONT
AUGUST 14, 2018**

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this: 
If you wrongly mark, tear, or deface the ballot, return it to the ballot clerk and obtain another.

SPECIAL MEETING BALLOT

ARTICLE 1

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YES

NO

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