WARNING FOR TOWN OF STAMFORD

The Legal Voters of the Town of Stamford, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the outside area in front of the Stamford Community Library in said Stamford at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 19, 2021, to vote on the Articles of the Town Warrant. The meeting will then be adjourned until 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at the Stamford Community Room at which time Article 1 will be transacted by ballot.

Vermont law imposes requirements to ensure that elderly and disabled persons have access to polling places and town meeting. Individuals requesting alternative accommodations should contact the town clerk's office prior to the town meeting so that arrangements can be made in advance.

Article 1: To elect the following Town Officers:

- Town Moderator - 1 year term
- School Moderator - 1 year term
- Selectboard member - 2 year term
- Selectboard member - 3 year term
- School Director - 2 year term
- School Director - 3 year term
- Auditor - 1 year term
- Auditor - 2 year term
- Auditor - 3 year term
- Collector of Delinquent Taxes - 1 year term
- Cemetery Commissioner - 3 year term
- Library Trustee - 5 year term

Article 2: Shall the Town of Stamford use at least twenty five (25) percent of the 2020 positive town and highway fund balances to reduce the raise and appropriate?

Article 3: Shall the Town of Stamford authorize the expenditure of $759,299.00 (General Expenses of $285,778.00 and Highway Expenses of $473,521.00) and if so, raise and appropriate $648,409.00 through taxes and $110,890.00 from anticipated revenues (less Article 2 if passed)?

Article 4: Shall the Town of Stamford authorize the Selectboard to sell town owned property to any interested buyer providing the interested buyer is not a property tax exempt entity?

Article 5: Shall the Town of Stamford borrow a sum not to exceed $230,000.00 for the purpose of resurfacing the following roads: The Lane, Henry Hill, Jepson Road, Clough Road, Lincoln Road, and Robillard Road, said sum to be repaid over a five (5) year period?

Article 6: Shall the Town of Stamford replace the two older plow trucks with a new truck and borrow a sum not to exceed $110,000.00 to be financed over a term of 5 years?

Article 7: Shall the Town of Stamford raise and appropriate $3,925.00 for the maintenance and improvement of the town cemeteries?
Article 8: Shall the Town of Stamford raise and appropriate $30,128.00 for the operation of the Town portion of the library?

Article 9: Shall the Town of Stamford exempt from taxation the Stamford Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. for a period of five years per 32 V.S.A., Ch. 125-3840?

Article 10: Shall the Town of Stamford raise and appropriate $54,025.00 for the operation of the Stamford Volunteer Fire Company?

Article 11: Shall the Town of Stamford raise and appropriate $20,000.00 to deposit into the fire truck replacement account?

Article 12: Shall the Town of Stamford appropriate a total of $1,600.00 to the following agencies, pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 2691?

- $700.00 Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging
- $500.00 BROCC – COMMUNITY ACTION IN SOUTHWESTERN VERMONT (formerly Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council, Inc.
- $100.00 Vermont Rural Fire Protection Program (formerly known as Northern Vermont and George D. Aiken Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Councils)
- $250.00 American Red Cross of Vermont and the New Hampshire Upper Valley Region
- $ 50.00 Green Up Vermont

Article 13: Do the Stamford voters desire to have the all-purpose room/gym as a community room for community events?

Article 14: Do the Stamford voters desire to have patrol services of the Bennington County Sheriff Dept.?

Article 15: Should the 8% penalty for delinquent tax payments be eliminated and replaced with a flat $50.00 penalty fee and monthly interest of 1% for first 3 months and 1.5% thereafter if not received in the town office by the due date?

Article 16: Following the COVID-19 guidelines for physical access to public places, do the Stamford voters desire to have physical access to the Stamford Community Library?

To transact any non-binding business deemed necessary and proper when met.

Dated at Stamford, Vermont this 18th day of March, 2021.

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