TOWN MEETING WARNING

Town of Hinesburg, Vermont

The legal voters of the Town of Hinesburg, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Champlain Valley Union High School auditorium, in said Town of Hinesburg, Monday evening March 3, 2014 at 7:00PM to transact business on all articles except Article 1 which will be voted upon by Australian Ballot Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at Town Hall in said Town of Hinesburg. Polls will be open at 7:00AM and close at 7:00PM. The March 3, 2014 meeting to be adjourned to the Town Hall in said Town of Hinesburg at 9:00AM March 4, 2014, if necessary, to act on any business left unfinished when met.

ARTICLE 1: To elect the necessary town and school district officers by Australian Ballot Tuesday, March 4, 2014 (see Officers for Election list in the Town Report).

ARTICLE 2: To hear the reports of Town of Hinesburg officers and take action thereon.

ARTICLE 3: Shall the Town approve a General Government budget of $1,391,612, with the estimated sum of $1,098,454 appropriated from property taxes to defray the general government expenses of the Town?

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town approve a Highway Department budget of $874,880, with the estimated sum of $678,539 appropriated from property taxes to defray the highway expenditures of the Town?

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town approve the Hinesburg Community Police Department budget of $595,355 with the estimated sum of $516,791 appropriated from property taxes to defray the police expenditures of the Town?

ARTICLE 6: Shall the Town approve the Carpenter – Carse Library Town allocation of $200,318, with the estimated sum of $187,626 appropriated from property taxes to defray the library allocation from the Town?

ARTILCE 7: Shall the Town appropriate the sum of $2,500, with the estimated sum of $2,342 appropriated from property taxes, for the purpose of obtaining options and/or the acquisition of lands, or those rights in land, which would preserve open space and natural resources, any unexpended portions of such sum be placed in the Land Preservation Fund?

ARTICLE 8: Shall the Town appropriate the sum of $600, with an estimated sum of $562 appropriated from property taxes, to the Lake Iroquois Recreation District?

ARTICLE 9: Shall the Town appropriate the sum of $29,400, with the estimated sum of $27,537 appropriated from property taxes, to be distributed as specifically designated to the following agencies and organizations?

Women Helping Battered Women	$1,800
VT Center for Independent Living	$200
Community Resource Center	$11,000
Visiting Nurses Association	$6,000
COTS	$750
Champlain Valley Agency on Aging	$2,000

Vermont CARES	$200
Howard Center	$800
Chittenden County Emergency Food Shelf	$500
Chittenden County Community Action	$1,500
Hinesburg Rides	$1,750
Maple Leaf Farm	$1,500
Hope Works	$200
Vermont Red Cross	$200
Prevent Child Abuse Vermont	$500
Hinesburg Senor Meal Site	$500
	$29,400

ARTICLE 10: Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to furnish the Town of St. George fire protection and first response coverage for the amount equivilant to 15% of the Town of Hinesburg's total FY2013-FY2014 operating budget for fire and first response, estimated at the sum of $30,000?

(If Articles 3 – 10 are approved as presented, total general fund expenditures of $3,072,060 will be required with the estimated amount of $2,511,851 to come from property tax revenue)

ARTILCE 11: Shall voters authorize the Selectboard to borrow money when needed to meet current expenses and indebtedness of the Town of Hinesburg?

ARTICLE 12: Shall voters authorize the payment of real and personal property taxes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 payable in full to the Town of Hinesburg in one (1) installment, with the due date being November 15, 2014? Any and all payments received in the Town Treasurer's Office later than midnight on November 15, 2014 will be considered delinquent and will be subject to the collection of interest at the rate of 1% per month or fraction thereof for the first three (3) months and thereafter at the rate of 1 ½ % per month or fraction thereof.

ARTICLE 13: Shall voters authorize the elimination of the Office of Lister and replace it with a professionally qualified assessor appointed by the Selectboard who shall have the same powers, discharge the same duties, proceed in the discharge thereof in the same manner, and be subject to the same liabilities as are prescribed for listers or the Board of Listers under the provisions of Title 32? (Article 13 requires a ballot vote from the floor at Town Meeting)

ARTICLE 14: Shall voters authorize the exemption of municipal taxes on net-metered systems under 32 V.S.A §3845(b)?

ARTICLE 15: To transact any other business proper to be brought before said meeting.

Signed, dated, recorded and posted this 27th Day of January, 2014, as attested to by:

Jonathan S. Trefry,
Selectborad Chair

Michael Bissonette,
Selectboard

Andrea Morgante,
Selectboard

Phil Pouech,
Selectboard

Tom Ayer,
Selectboard

Melissa B. Ross,
Clerk/Treasurer