WARNING TOWN OF JOHNSON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING March 2, 2021

The legal voters of the Town of Johnson are hereby warned and notified that due to the COVID-19 emergency there will be no public meeting or floor vote on Town Meeting Day at the Johnson Elementary School Gym on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, however, all business will be conducted by Australian ballot.

The legal voters of the Town of Johnson are hereby notified and warned to meet at Johnson Municipal Building at 293 Lower Main Street West in said Town on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, beginning at nine o'clock in the forenoon (9:00 A.M.), at which time the polls will open, and continuing until seven o'clock in the afternoon (7:00 P.M.), at which time the polls will close, to vote by Australian ballot on the following articles:

- **Article 1:** Shall the voters elect the following Town Officers:
 - Elect a Moderator for the Town Meeting.
 - Elect Grand Juror.
 - Elect Town Selectboard Officer for a 2 year term.
 - Elect Town Selectboard Officer for a 3 year term.
 - Elect Agent to Convey Real Estate.
 - Elect Agent to Prosecute and Defend Suits.
 - Elect Auditor.
 - Elect Town Tax Collector.
 - Elect Plot Cemetery Agent.
 - Elect Whiting Hill Cemetery Agent.
 - Elect Trustee of Public Money.
 - Elect Lamoille Regional Solid Waste Management District Supervisor.
 - Elect Library Trustee.
- **Article 2:** Shall the voters elect the following School Board Officers:
 - Elect a Lamoille North Modified Unified Union Director for a 3 year term.
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- Article 3: Shall the voters authorize total fund expenditures for operating expenses of \$3,072,353.53, of which it is estimated that \$1,907,420.03 will be raised by taxes and \$1,164,933.50 by non-tax revenues?
- Article 4: Shall the voters approve the sum of \$10,338 to be raised by taxes for the support of THE LAMOILLE HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE?
- Article 5: Shall the voters approve the sum of \$1,320 to be raised by taxes for the support of CLARINA HOWARD NICHOLS CENTER?
- Article 6: Shall the voters approve the sum of \$500 to be raised by taxes for the support of THE RED CROSS?
- Article 7: Shall the voters approve the sum of \$2,000 to be raised by taxes for the support of THE NORTH CENTRAL VERMONT RECOVERY CENTER?
- Article 8: Shall the voters approve the sum of \$700 to be raised by taxes for the support of <u>SALVATION FARMS</u>?

Article 9: Shall the voters approve the payment of property taxes to the Town Treasurer in four equal installments (32 V.S.A. § 4792), as listed below, with delinquent taxes and assessments having charged against them an eight percent (8%) commission after the fourth installment (32 V.S.A. § 1674) and interest charges of one percent (1%) per month or fraction thereof, for the first three months; and thereafter, interest charges of one and one half percent (1½%) per month or fraction thereof from the due date of such tax? Such interest shall be imposed on a fraction of a month as if it were an entire month (32 V.S.A. § 5136). Payments are due in the hands of the Treasurer by 4:00 p.m. on the below due dates. Only official U.S.P.S. cancellation marks will be accepted if postmarked on or before the due date (32 V.S.A. § 4773).

First installment to be paid on or before Tuesday, August 10, 2021. Second installment to be paid on or before Wednesday, November 10, 2021. Third installment to be paid on or before Thursday, February 10, 2022. Fourth installment to be paid on or before Tuesday, May 10, 2022.

- Article 10: Shall the voters approve the establishment and operation of cannabis retailers within the Town of Johnson, subject to regulation by the Vermont Cannabis Control Board and the Town of Johnson Selectboard, acting as the local cannabis control commission?
- Article 11: Shall the voters approve the establishment and operation of integrated licensees within the Town of Johnson, subject to regulation by the Vermont Cannabis Control Board and the Town of Johnson Selectboard, acting as the local cannabis control commission?

The following articles are advisory only and are non-binding:

- Article 12: Shall the Selectboard enter into discussions with the Village of Johnson Trustees with regard to a possible merger of the Town and Village?
- Article 13: Shall the Selectboard repeal the Ordinance Regulating All Terrain Vehicles (ATV)?
- Article 14: Shall the Selectboard undertake a comprehensive evaluation of the environmental impacts of All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) use on Class 4 roads in the Town of Johnson?

The legal voters and residents of the Town of Johnson are further warned and notified that two public informational hearing will be held remotely on Tuesday, February 23rd, 2021, commencing at seven o'clock in the afternoon (7:00 p.m.), and on Saturday, February 27th, 2021, commencing at two o'clock in the afternoon (2:00 p.m.) for the purpose of explaining Articles 2 through 15, including the proposed budget. The remote meeting will be held by Zoom Electric Meeting and Phone Call-In: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3446522544?pwd=VkNZZE5tMW5PaEhidVpnUjRxSkxGdz09

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You can also join by phone by calling:

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The legal voters of the Town of Johnson are further notified that voter qualification, registration, and absentee voting relative to said Annual Meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated.

Dated this 25th day of January 2021

By the Selectboard members of the Town of Johnson:

Johnson, Vermont, town Clerk's Office, January

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2021 at 11 30 am received the

foregoing warning and the same is duly recorded before posting.

Attest: \