

**OFFICIAL WARNING  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
TOWN OF WESTFORD**

The legal voters of the Town of Westford are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Westford School in said Town of Westford on Monday, February 29, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at which time the Town's Annual Meeting will commence immediately following the School District's Annual Meeting, to act on the following articles not involved in voting by Australian ballot. Polls for Australian balloting will open on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 7:00 p.m.

The voters are further warned that the Selectboard will hold a public informational hearing on said Australian ballot Articles (Articles 7, 8, 9 & 10) at the Westford School on Monday, February 29, 2016 following discussion of non-Australian ballot articles.

- ARTICLE 1** To act upon the reports of the Town Officers.
- ARTICLE 2** Shall the Town of Westford collect its real estate and personal property taxes in four equal installments due on August 15<sup>th</sup>, November 15<sup>th</sup>, March 15<sup>th</sup> and May 15<sup>th</sup>, commencing with the fiscal year that begins on July 1, 2016, with postmarks being acceptable?
- ARTICLE 3** Shall the voters of the Town of Westford authorize the Selectboard to solicit bids or offers for and convey (on commercially reasonable terms as determined by the Selectboard) the Town's undivided one-half ownership interest in an approximately 20-acre parcel of land owned jointly with the Westford Town School District and located at the southwesterly corner of Old Stage Road (Town Highway #6) and the Milton-Westford Road (Town Highway #2)?
- ARTICLE 4** Shall the voters of the Town of Westford authorize the Selectboard to fund the Contingency Fund created in 2013 with a portion of, or all surplus funds from budgets commencing with the 2014-2015 budget as deemed necessary?
- ARTICLE 5** Shall the voters of the Town of Westford authorize the Town to collect fees for trash and recycling services based on a flat rate per household in lieu of the property's assessment (advisory only)?
- ARTICLE 6** Discussion of other nonbinding business.

**AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ARTICLES**

- ARTICLE 7** Shall the voters of the Town of Westford accept the Selectboard's budget of \$1,849,500 to defray the expenses for the ensuing year?

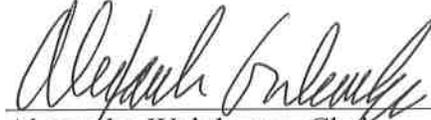
**ARTICLE 8** Shall the voters of the Town of Westford authorize the Selectboard to borrow up to \$325,000, to be offset by funds from the Fire Department Equipment Reserve, to purchase a pumper truck for the Fire Department to be amortized over a period of 10 years in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §1755?

**ARTICLE 9** Shall the Town authorize the elimination of the office of Town Auditor, with future annual audits to be provided by a certified public accountant in accordance with 17 V.S.A. §2651(b)?

**ARTICLE 10** To elect all officers required by law.  
Town Moderator for a term of one year  
Town Clerk for a term of three years  
Selectboard for a term of three years  
Auditor for a term of three years  
Auditor for a term of three years with two years remaining  
Library Trustee for a term of five years

Approved this 25<sup>th</sup>, day of January, 2016.

WESTFORD SELECTBOARD

  
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Alexander Weinhausen, Chair

  
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David E. Adams

  
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Casey Mathieu

Received for record January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

Attest:   
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Nanette Rogers, Town Clerk

Posted at: Westford Town Office, Westford School, Westford Library, Brick Meeting House and Westford Post Office.