

VILLAGE OF ESSEX JUNCTION TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Online/81 Main St. Essex Junction, VT 05452 Thursday, April 2, 2020 6:30 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. AGENDA ADDITIONS/CHANGES

3. APPROVE AGENDA

4. PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

a. Comments from Public on Items Not on Agenda

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

a. Approve Warning to reschedule Village Annual Meeting to May 11 and ballot voting to May 19

6. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

a. An executive session is not anticipated

7. ADJOURN

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[6:30 PM]

Memorandum

To: Trustees; Evan Teich, Unified Manager
Cc: Susan McNamara-Hill, Clerk
From: Greg Duggan, Deputy Manager
Re: Re-Warning 2020 Village Meeting
Date: March 27, 2020

Issue

The issue is whether the Trustees will re-warn the 2020 Village Meeting.

Discussion

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the Trustees have cancelled the community dinner and Annual Village Meeting scheduled for April 1, along with the ballot voting on April 14.

Following the cancellation of an annual meeting, the legislative body needs to re-warn the meeting. An annual meeting needs to take place between 30 and 40 days of when it is warned. Staff recommends the Village meeting take place on Monday, May 11, with ballot voting on Tuesday, May 19. The Village's ballot voting would happen on the same day as Essex Westford School District's ballot voting.

Cost

Approximately \$200 for legal notices.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Trustees approve an updated warning for 2020 Village Meeting to be held on Monday, May 11, with ballot voting on Tuesday, May 19.

WARNING VILLAGE OF ESSEX JUNCTION ANNUAL MEETING MAY 11 & 19, 2020

The legal voters of the Village of Essex Junction are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Essex Community Educational Center on Educational Drive in the Village of Essex Junction on Wednesday, May 11, 2020 at 7:00 PM to act upon any of the following articles not involving voting by Australian ballot, said meeting to be adjourned to reconvene at the Essex Community Educational Center, on Tuesday, May 19, 2020 to vote for Village officers and transact any business involving voting by Australian ballot, said voting by Australian ballot to begin at 7:00 AM and close at 7:00

ARTICLE 1. Shall the voters act upon the report of the auditor?

ARTICLE 2. Shall the voters approve an annual General Fund Budget in the amount of \$5,367,655 for fiscal year July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, \$3,670,039 of which is to be levied in taxes against the Village Grand List?

ARTICLE 3. Shall the voters approve holding the 2021 Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 7, 2021 to act upon any articles not involving voting by Australian ballot and to reconvene on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 to vote for the Village officers and transact any business involving voting by Australian ballot?

ARTICLE 4. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting?

BALLOT QUESTIONS

ARTICLE 5. To elect Village officers required by law including: Moderator (one year term); three Village Trustees (2 three year terms, 1 one year term); one Library Trustee (five year term)?

Dated this 2nd day of April, 2020

VILLAGE OF ESSEX JUNCTION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

By:

Andrew P. Brown, President

George A. Tyler, Vice President

Raj D. Chawla, Trustee

ATTEST:

Daniel S. Kerin, Trustee

Susan McNamara-Hill, Village Clerk

Amber L. Thibeault, Trustee