## WARNING BARTON VILLAGE ANNUAL MEETING MAY 10, 2022

The legal voters of the Village of Barton, in the Town of Barton, in the County of Orleans, State of Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Barton Village Memorial Building THEATER in said Barton Village, May 10, 2022 at Seven (7:00) o' clock in the evening to transact the following business, from the floor:

Article 1: Elect a Moderator for one year.

Article 2: Elect a Clerk for one year.

Article 3: Elect a Trustee for three years.

Article 4: Elect the following officers for one year. Treasurer, Collector of Delinquent Taxes

Article 5: Shall the Village NOT elect a Chief Engineer, First Assistant Engineer, Second Assistant Engineer for a Fire Department as long as Orleans Fire Department provides the service to Barton Village.

<u>Article 6:</u> Shall the Village compensate the following elected officials for 2022. These funds will be raised through operating budgets from the Village departments as allowed.

Trustee - \$1260, Clerk - \$210, Treasurer - 1% of taxes collected, Delinquent Tax Collector – 8% of Taxes Collected.

Article 7: Shall the Village raise \$63,000 through taxes upon the grand list for the funds requested in the 2022 Annual Village Budget and the ensuing year, and direct the Trustees to assess a tax on the grand list sufficient to meet the same.

(See Village Department Budget for assessment request by the Trustees)

<u>Article 8:</u> Shall the Village raise \$331,500 through taxes upon the grand list for the funds requested in the 2022 Annual Highway Budget and the ensuing year, and direct the Trustees to assess a tax on the grand list sufficient to meet the same.

(See Highway Department Budget for assessment request by the Trustees)

Article 9: Shall the Village raise \$65,100 through taxes and user fees for water department capital debt retirement and water capital reserve funds, such funds will be used for major repairs, replacement and upgrades to the structural components of the Village water system.

(See Water Department Budget for assessment request by the Trustees)

<u>Article 10:</u> Shall the Village raise \$54,100 through taxes and user fees for wastewater department capital debt retirement and wastewater capital reserve funds, such funds will be used for major replacements and upgrades to the structural components of the Village Wastewater System. (See Wastewater Department Budget for assessment request by the Trustees)

Article 11: Shall the Village appropriate the sum of \$5,000 in funds to be used as matching funds for grant applications that demonstrate direct benefit to the Village of Barton community and/or its residents with requirements for said appropriation to be a report of income and expense and instruct the Trustees to assess a tax sufficient to meet the same?

Article 12: Shall the Village collect its taxes due and payable within 60 days without discount. Interest to accrue on delinquent taxes at the maximum rate allowed by law and an 8% penalty assessed on all delinquent taxes and postmarks are not acceptable as payment dates?

Article 13: Shall the Village authorize the Board of Trustees to spend an amount not to exceed 3/12<sup>th</sup> of the 2022 annual budget article adopted at the 2022 annual meeting during the period from January 1, 2023 until the annual village meeting held in March 2023.

<u>Article 14:</u> Shall the Village borrow \$240,000 for the purpose of resurfacing Village Highways payable with a term not to exceed 10 years.

Article 15: See Australian Ballot

Article 16: See Australian Ballot

Article 17: To act on any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Article 18: To Adjourn.

## The following articles will be voted by Australian Ballot:

Article 15: Shall the Village be authorized to sell substantially all of the assets of the Barton Electric Department, inclusive of any real estate assets, but exclusive of the Village's hydroelectric facility assets, to Vermont Electric Cooperative at a purchase price determined based on the net book value of such assets as of the closing date of sale. (Australian Ballot)

<u>Article 16:</u> Shall the Village pursue the end of its legal responsibilities to maintain our Class 1 Highways pursuant to 19 V.S.A. §310 within the Village limits and that turning over the streets to the Vermont Agency of Transportation would be in the be best interest of the public. This includes (Route 5 - Main St. and Route 16 – Church St. and Glover Rd). (Australian Ballot)

NOTE: The polls will be open from ten (10:00) o'clock in the A.M. until seven (7:00) o'clock in the P.M for the balloting under articles necessitating Australian balloting. Poles will be located downstairs from the theater in the Municipal Hall.

Residents can register to vote with the Barton Town Clerk, located at 34 Main St. Barton and can contact the Town or Village office for early or absentee voting.

Dated at Barton Village, this 28th day of March, 2022

/S/ Jacqueline Laurion, Trustee

/S/ Justin "Tin" Barton-Caplin, Trustee

/S/ Nathan Sicard, Trustee

Attest:

/S/ Shelia Martin Barton Village Clerk