

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND VOTE

**WALTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
WALTON, NEW YORK**

A Budget Hearing for the inhabitants of the Walton Central School District qualified to vote at School District Meetings will be held remotely and may be viewed live and recorded on the Walton Central School District YouTube Channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeNyGfggoZkRPgVwVc3VD1g>, commencing at 6:00 PM, on Tuesday, May, 4, 2021 where there shall be presented the proposed school district budget for the following school year.

Date of Annual Meeting

The vote upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures or for any propositions involving the expenditure of money or the authorizing of levy of taxes, as well as the election of members of the Board of Education shall be held on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, in the School Bus Garage, Delaware Street, between the hours of 12:00 Noon and 9:00 PM.

The following propositions shall be put forth to the voters:

Proposition No. 1

Shall the submitted 2021-22 budget as presented by the Board of Education to the voters at the Budget Hearing be approved and be adopted and the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures be appropriated and the Board of Education be authorized to levy the necessary taxes to meet the estimated expenditures?

Proposition No. 2

RESOLVED that, pursuant to Chapter 472 of the Session Laws of 1998, the Board of Education of the Walton Central School District is hereby authorized to lease and expend therefore, including costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated maximum cost of Three Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000.00) for the entire term of the lease, and for a term not to exceed five (5) years, the following motors vehicles: three (3) sixty-five (65) passenger school buses; AND, that such sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax collected in annual installments; and that in anticipation of such tax, obligations of the District shall be issued.

Statement of Money Required for Next School Year

A copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required for the next school year for school purposes shall be completed seven days before the Budget Hearing and may be obtained by any resident of the District, at each schoolhouse, during the period of 14 days immediately before the Annual Meeting and Election, between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM, except Saturday, Sunday, or holiday.

Vote for Board Members

Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with the Clerk of the District between the hours of 9:00 AM, and 4:00 PM not later than 5:00 PM on April 19, 2021. The following vacancies are to be filled:

A three-year term ending June 30, 2024 presently held by Arnold A. Drumm

A three-year term ending June 30, 2024 presently held by Ronda L. Williams

A three-year term ending June 30, 2022 vacated by Marilyn C. Lewis and presently held by Chad E. Trimbell

Each petition must be addressed to the Clerk of the District and signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District, shall state the residence of each signer, and the name and address of the candidate. Vacancies

upon the Board shall not be considered separate specific offices. The individuals receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected to the vacancies.

Voter Propositions

Any proposition that is required to be included for vote shall be submitted in writing by means of a petition, signed by at least 25 qualified voters, stating the residence of each signer, which proposition shall be filed with the Board of Education not later than 30 days before the date of the election as set forth in this notice unless a greater number of days is required by statute. Any proposition may be rejected by the Board of Education if the purpose of the proposition is not within the powers of the voters or where the expenditure of monies is required by the proposition, and such proposition fails to include the necessary specific appropriation.

Qualified Voters

Qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen years of age or older, and (3) resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days next preceding the Annual Meeting. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the Annual Meeting to provide one form of proof of residency. Such form may include, but is not limited to, a driver's license or a utility bill.

Absentee Ballots

Applications for absentee ballots may be applied for at the Office of the District Clerk at the District Office. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven days before the vote set in this notice if the ballot is to be mailed to the absentee voter or the day before the vote if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the absentee voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the Clerk of the District not later than 5:00 PM on the date of the vote.

A list of all persons to whom absentee voters' ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours which are between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM. Any qualified voter, may upon examination of such list, file written challenge of qualifications of a voter of any person whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge. Such written challenge shall be transmitted by the Clerk or designee to the Election Inspectors on election day.

Dated: March 31, 2021

By Order of the Board of Education
of the Walton Central School District

S. Corey Phraner
District Clerk