

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION
MINERVA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
TOWN OF MINERVA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Minerva School District, Essex County, Olmstedville, New York, will be held in the school gymnasium in said District on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 7:00 pm, for the presentation of the budget.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the annual meeting of the qualified voters of the Minerva Central School District, Town of Minerva, Essex County, New York, will be held in the Minerva Central School gymnasium in said District on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 between the hours of 1:00 pm and 8:00 pm, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by paper ballot upon the following items:

1. To authorize the expense a maximum of \$123,000, paid for with up to \$50,000 from the District's existing bus purchase capital reserve fund and the remainder paid from the 2020-21 unallocated fund balance, for the purchase of one 59-passenger school bus which, with the use of funds from the bus purchase capital reserve fund and fund balance, shall have no impact on the tax levy of the District for the 2021-2022 school year.
2. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2021-2022 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
3. To elect one (1) member of the Board for a 5-year term commencing July 1, 2021 and expiring on June 30, 2026 to succeed the seat now held by Suzanne Crouse, whose term expires on June 30, 2021.

FURTHER NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN, that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for 2021-2022, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any resident of the District during business hours beginning Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at the main office of Minerva Central School. A report of tax exemptions, showing how much of the total assessed value on the final assessment roll or rolls used in that budgetary process is exempt from taxation, shall be annexed to the budget document.

FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be obtainable between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. Completed petitions must be filed with the Clerk of said School District no later than Monday, April 19, 2021 between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District and shall be signed by at least twenty-five (25) voters of the District, must state the name and residence of the candidate and shall describe the specific vacancy for which the candidate is nominated and must state the name and residence of each signer.

FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that applications for absentee ballots will be obtainable between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm Monday through Friday, except holidays, from the District Clerk. The District Clerk must receive completed application at least seven (7) days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. The District Clerk must receive absentee ballots no later the 5:00 pm, on Tuesday, May 18, 2021. A list of persons to whom absentee ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District, in the office of the District Clerk. On and after May 12, 2021 between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm on weekdays prior to the day set for the annual election and on May 18, 2021 the day set for the election, said list will be posted at the polling place of the election. Any qualified voter present in the polling place may object to the voting of the ballot upon appropriate grounds for making his/her challenge and the reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Elections before the close of polls.

FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote at said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen (18) years of age or older, (3) a resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days preceding the annual vote and election. The school district may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law #2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver's identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to a rule adopted by the Board in accordance with #2035 and #2008 of the Education Law, any referenda or propositions to amend the budget, otherwise to be submitted for voting at said election, must be filed with the Minerva Board of Education on or before April 19, 2021 at 3:00 pm prevailing time; must be typed or printed in English, must be directed to the Clerk of the School District and signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the district; and must state the name and residence of each signed. However, the School Board will not entertain any petition to place before the voters any proposition the purpose of which fails to include a specific appropriation where the expenditure of monies is required by the proposition.

Cortney McCauliffe
Minerva Central School
Town of Minerva, County of Essex, New York

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