

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION
MADRID-WADDINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
TOWN OF MADRID, COUNTY OF ST LAWRENCE, NEW YORK**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to the Governor of the State of New York's Executive Order 202.26 (hereinafter, "Executive Order"), a public hearing of the qualified voters of the Madrid-Waddington Central School District, St. Lawrence County, Madrid, New York, will be held remotely on May 26, 2020 in the Junior-Senior High School building in said District and will be made available on the District website on May 26, 2020 at 9:00 AM prevailing time, for the transaction of business as authorized by the Education Law, including the following items:

1. To present to the voters a detailed statement (proposed budget) of the amount of money which will be required for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.
2. To discuss all the items hereinafter set forth to be voted upon by absentee ballot, pursuant to Executive Order 202.26, for the Budget Vote and Election to be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020.
3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting pursuant to Education Law of the State of New York and acts amendatory thereto.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the proposed budget shall be made available, upon request, to residents of the school district beginning May 26, 2020 on the District's website at www.mwcsk12.org While Education Law Section 1716(2) requires the budget also be made available at school district offices, any public library/free association library within the district and the polling place, this year that will not be possible due to the Executive Order and the prevalence of the COVID-19 virus and potential for spread through personal interaction.

AND FUTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to Executive Order 202.26 the budget vote and election of Board of Education members of the Madrid-Waddington Central School District, Town of Madrid, St. Lawrence County, New York, will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020. The Executive Order directs that the budget vote and election be conducted by an absentee ballot process in lieu of in-person voting. Therefore, there will be no voting at the polls for this year's annual budget vote and election due to the prevalence of the COVID-19 virus and potential for spread through personal interaction. The District will mail absentee ballots with a postage paid return envelope to qualified voters. In order to be counted, absentee ballots must be received in the office of the clerk by 5:00 PM o June 9, 2020. Thus, every qualified voter shall vote by absentee ballot on the following items:

1. To adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2020-2021 and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
2. To elect 2 members of the Board as described below:

Term

Name of Last Incumbent

5-year
5-year

Matthew O'Bryan
Jordan Walker

Vacancies upon the Board of Education shall not be considered separate, specific offices, and nominating petitions shall not describe any specific vacancy upon the Board of Education for which the candidate is nominated.

3. Bus and Vehicle Referendum as follows:

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Madrid-Waddington Central School District be authorized and directed to purchase two (2) 72-passenger buses to expend therefore an aggregate sum, not to exceed \$260,000; which sum shall be raised by tax on the taxable property of the District; and

That the Board of Education be authorized to expend funds from the existing Transportation and Equipment Capital Reserve Fund to fund the cost of the buses in whole or part; and

That the Board of Education be authorized in accordance with the provisions of the Education and Local Finance Law to borrow on the credit of the District a sum, not to exceed \$260,000, to fund the cost of the buses to issue obligations of the District not to exceed that amount to finance the purchase of the buses in whole or part.

4. Capital Outlay Referendum as follows:

RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Madrid-Waddington Central School be authorized and directed to expend up to \$100,000 from the Building Reserve in part or whole which includes the ongoing strategy to replace windows in several classrooms as well as the replacement of the High School Gymnasium divider wall with a pull-type curtain allowing for safe partitioning of the gym.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for 2020-2021 may be obtained by any resident in the District beginning on Tuesday, May 26, 2020, on the District's website at www.mwcsk12.org. (Due to the Governor's closure orders, the Executive Order and the risk of transmission of COVID-19, the statement will not be available at school district offices, public libraries or polling place). Pursuant to Chapter 258 of the Laws of 2008, Section 495 was added to the Real Property Tax Law and requires the School District to attach to its proposed budget an exemption report. Said exemption report, which will also become part of the final budget, will show how much of the total assessed value of the final assessment roll used in the budgetary process is exempt from taxation, list every type of exemption granted by statutory authority, and show the

cumulative impact of each type of exemption, the cumulative amount of expected to be received as payments in lieu of taxes (PILOT) and the cumulative impact of all exemptions granted. In addition, said exemption report shall be posted on any bulletin board maintained by the District for public notices and on any website maintained by the District.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Executive Order 202.26, self-nominating declarations for candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed electronically with the District Clerk of said School District at jbresett@mwcsk12.org, no later than Monday, May 11, 2020, at 5:00 PM, prevailing time. Each written declaration shall state the candidate's name, street address, affirmation of District residency for more than 30 days, and affirmation that said candidate is 18 years of age or older. As per Executive Order 202.26, there is no minimum number of signatures required on the declaration for the June 9, 2020 Budget Vote and Election.

AND 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 years of age or older, and (3) resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days next preceding the annual vote and election.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to a rule adopted by the Board of Education 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 Madrid-Waddington Central School Board of Education at the Junior Senior High School on or before May 11, 2020 at 5:00 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 25 qualified voters of the District; and must state the name and residence of each signer. However, the School Board will not entertain any petition to place before the voters any proposition the purpose of which is not within the powers of the voters to determine, or any proposition which fails to include a specific appropriation where the expenditure of monies is required by the proposition, or where other valid reasons exists for excluding the proposition from the ballot.

Julie Bresett, District Clerk
Madrid-Waddington Central School
Town of Madrid, County of St Lawrence, New York

May 7, 2020