## NOTICE OF REFERENDUM TOWN OF CABLE APRIL 7, 2020

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that at an election to be held in the County of Bayfield, Town of Cable on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, the following question will be submitted to a vote of the people:

"Shall the persons holding the offices of Town Clerk and Town Treasurer in the Town of Cable be appointed by the Town Board?"

A copy of the entire text of the resolution directing the submission of the question can be obtained from the office of the Town Clerk.

Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a photo ID, you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.

## **Explanation of Referendum Question:**

On December 18, 2019, the Town Board adopted Ordinance 43-19, which would change the elected offices of Town Clerk and Town Treasurer to appointed positions by the Town Board.

Currently, an elected Clerk or Treasurer are not required to meet any minimum qualifications. An elected Clerk and an elected Treasurer must only be a qualified elector of the Town of Cable. Both positions serve two-year terms. Compensation of the Clerk and Treasurer is set by electors at the Annual Meeting or a special meeting, unless this responsibility has been delegated to the Town Board at the Annual Meeting or at a special meeting.

The Town Board passed Ordinance 43-19 in recognition of the fact that the Clerk and Treasurer positions have become increasingly complex and require a candidate who has the qualifications and experience necessary to meet the responsibilities of the position. If the positions become appointed, the Clerk and Treasurer will report directly to the Town Board. The Town Board will establish job descriptions for the Clerk and Treasurer in accordance with State Statutes. The Town Board will also set work hours, determine compensation and the term of office, not to exceed three years. The Clerk and Treasurer may be appointed for additional terms.

## WHAT DOES A YES VOTE MEAN?

The Town Board will appoint the Town Clerk and Town Treasurer for a term not to exceed three years. The appointed position will start when the current terms of office for the incumbent Clerk and Treasurer positions expire in April of 2021.

## WHAT DOES A NO VOTE MEAN?

The positions of Town Clerk and Town Treasurer will continue to be elected at the spring election of odd-numbered years by a majority vote of the electors.

Done in the Town of Cable on March 9, 2020.

Deanne Allen, Town Clerk

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