

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION  
NORTH COLLINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TOWN OF NORTH COLLINS, COUNTY OF ERIE, NEW YORK**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public hearing open to the qualified voters of the North Collins Central School District, Erie County, New York (the “District”), will be held in the Library-Media Center at the Jr.-Sr. High School in the District on Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. prevailing time, for the presentation of the District’s 2022-2023 budget.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the annual meeting, budget vote and election of the qualified voters of the District (the “Annual Vote”) will be held in the Gymnasium at the Jr.-Sr. High School in the District on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 p.m. prevailing time, to vote, by voting machine, upon the following items and transacting such other business as may be authorized by law:

**Election of Two (2) Members of the Board of Education as follows:**

Two five (5) year terms commencing July 1, 2022 and expiring on June 30, 2027.

**PROPOSITION NO. 1 – Budget**

Shall the following resolution be approved and adopted?

RESOLVED, that the budget for the North Collins Central School District, Erie County, New York, for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023, as presented by the Board of Education, is hereby approved and adopted and the required funds therefor are hereby appropriated and the necessary real property taxes required shall be raised by a tax on the taxable property in the District to be levied and collected as required by law.

**PROPOSITION NO. 2 – Purchase of Vehicles**

Shall the following resolution be approved and adopted?

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the North Collins Central School District, Erie County, New York (the “District”), is hereby authorized to purchase school buses and/or vehicles for use by the transportation and/or custodial departments, per bids obtained under New York State Contract, at a maximum estimated aggregate cost of \$315,000, with that amount to be paid for in full out of the District’s Bus and Vehicle Reserve Fund, without the necessity of borrowing.

**PROPOSITION NO. 3 - Capital Improvements Project, 2022**

Shall the following resolutions be approved and adopted?

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the North Collins Central School District, Erie County, New York (the “District”), is hereby authorized to undertake a proposed “Capital Improvements Project, 2022” consisting of the reconstruction, rehabilitation and renovation, in part, and the construction of improvements, upgrades and one or more additions to various District buildings and facilities and the sites thereof (collectively, the “Project”) to implement various health, safety, accessibility and Code compliance measures that are required by the State Education Department in connection with any significant capital improvements project and various other measures that are generally described in (but are not to be limited by) the project plan that has been prepared by the District (with the assistance of Young + Wright

Architectural) and that is available for public inspection in the offices of the District Clerk (the "Project Plan"), with such work being anticipated to include, without limitation and to the extent as and where required, the elements that are generally described below. Proposed building additions and renovations are anticipated to include the development of a Jr./Sr. High School gymnasium entrance and a lobby addition and renovations, and multipurpose room renovations in the Jr./Sr. High School library. Other Jr./Sr. High School interior upgrades are anticipated to include locker improvements, potable water testing measures and possible pipe upgrades, vinyl flooring in corridors, and miscellaneous electrical and HVAC improvements. Improvements at the Elementary School are anticipated to include the development of a secure main entrance vestibule, storage cubbies in selective classrooms, water bottle filling stations, art room sinks, and upgraded technology fiber infrastructure. Proposed building envelope upgrades are anticipated to include selected roof improvements, windows, and doors at the Jr./Sr. High School and selected roof, soffits and corridor windows improvements at the Elementary School. Asbestos abatement is anticipated to be undertaken as required at all buildings. Site work is anticipated to include new turf and infill for the existing synthetic turf playing field, a new backstop netting system, and field lighting at the Jr./Sr. High School campus. Also anticipated to be included are back-up electrical generators at the Jr./Sr. High School, Elementary School, and Transportation Office, a new septic tank filter at the Bus Garage and new digital signs at both campuses. If the budget allows after receiving construction bids, or if other items are identified, additional similar renovations, upgrades, and improvements could be undertaken at the Jr./Sr. High School including, by way of example and not limitation, updated restrooms and kitchen equipment and serving line; carpeting in the auditorium, library, chorus, and band rooms; and masonry work. Other possible alternate work is anticipated to include, by way of example and not limitation, upgrades at the Elementary School such as ceiling tile replacement work in corridors, outdoor basketball court upgrades, reconstructed sidewalks, steps, and ramps and outdoor learning/community areas (at both campuses). All of such work (or so much thereof as can be accomplished within the overall budget for the Project, once the construction bids are received) is to be undertaken at an estimated maximum cost of \$7,950,000, and will include the purchase of original furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required in connection with the purposes for which such buildings, facilities and sites are used, and all ancillary or related work required in connection therewith, and the Board is authorized to expend therefor, including for preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and in connection with the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated maximum cost of \$7,950,000, provided that the detailed costs of the components of the Project (as generally described in the Project Plan) may be reallocated among such components, or such components may be deleted, revised or supplemented if (1) the Board shall determine that such reallocation, deletion, revision or supplementation is in the best interests of the District and (2) the aggregate amount to be expended for the Project shall not exceed \$7,950,000 and (3) no material change shall be made in the overall scope and nature of the Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board is hereby authorized to expend or apply toward the Project (1) during the current fiscal year of the District, the entire balance (which stood at approximately \$1,822,913 as of March 11, 2022), plus any additional interest earned, from the District's Capital Improvements Reserve Fund, 2019, with such fund then to be terminated and (2) up to \$177,087 of other available District funds (so as to bring the total of available funds to be devoted to the Project, before borrowing, to a total of \$2,000,000); and be it further

RESOLVED, that a tax is hereby voted to finance the balance of the estimated maximum cost of the Project in an amount not to exceed \$5,950,000, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by the Board; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in anticipation of such tax, obligations of the District (including, without limitation, serial bonds, statutory installment bonds, bond anticipation notes and/or lease/purchase obligations) are hereby authorized to be issued in an aggregate principal amount that is not to exceed \$5,950,000, and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on such obligations as the same shall become due and payable; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the New York State Building Aid funds that are expected to be received by the District are anticipated to offset a substantial part of the cost of the Project, and such funds shall, to the extent received, be applied to offset and reduce the amount of taxes herein authorized to be levied.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that such Proposition No. 3 shall appear on the ballot sheet to be used for voting in substantially the following abbreviated form:

**PROPOSITION NO. 3 - Capital Improvements Project, 2022**

Shall the following resolution be approved and adopted?

RESOLVED, that (a) the Board of Education (the “Board”) of the North Collins Central School District, Erie County, New York (the “District”) is hereby authorized to undertake a “Capital Improvements Project, 2022” (the “Project”) consisting of the reconstruction, rehabilitation and renovation, in part, and the construction of improvements and upgrades and one or more additions to various District buildings and facilities (and the sites thereof) to implement various health, safety, accessibility and Code compliance measures and various other measures that are included and generally described in (but are not to be limited by) the Project Plan that was referred to in the public notice of the vote on this Proposition, and to expend therefor an amount not to exceed \$7,950,000; (b) the Board is authorized to expend or apply toward the Project (1) during the current fiscal year of the District, the entire balance (which stood at approximately \$1,822,913 as of March 11, 2022), plus any additional interest earned, from the District’s 2019 Capital Improvements Reserve Fund, and then to terminate such fund and (2) up to \$177,087 of other available District funds (so as to bring the total of available funds to be devoted to the Project, before borrowing, to a total of \$2,000,000); (c) a tax is hereby voted in an amount not to exceed \$5,950,000 to finance the balance of the estimated maximum cost of the Project, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by the Board; (d) in anticipation of such tax, obligations of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in an aggregate principal amount that shall not exceed \$5,950,000, and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on such obligations as the same shall become due and payable; and (e) New York State Building Aid funds expected to be received by the District are anticipated to offset a substantial part of such costs, and such funds, to the extent received, shall be applied to offset and reduce the amount of taxes herein authorized to be levied.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an Environmental Assessment Form has been completed for all of the anticipated work involved in the Project, which constitutes a Type I action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), a thorough review of the Project’s potential environmental impacts has been undertaken, it has been found that the Project will not result in a significant adverse impact on

the environment, and a reasoned elaboration of the SEQRA review and findings has been provided in a Negative Declaration.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board will have prepared and completed a detailed statement in writing of the amount of money which will be required during the 2022-2023 fiscal year for school purposes, specifying the several purposes and the amount for each. Such statement shall be prepared and made available upon request to residents within the District from May 3, 2022 to May 17, 2022 during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. prevailing time (exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, or holidays), at each of the public schoolhouses of the District and in the District office.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed in the office of the District Clerk by Monday, April 18, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Each petition shall be directed to the District Clerk, shall be signed by at least 25 voters of the District, shall state the name and residence of the candidates, and shall state the residence of each signer.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the qualified voters of the District shall be entitled to vote at the Annual Vote. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen years of age or older, (3) a resident within the District for a period of thirty (30) days next preceding the Annual Vote, and (4) a person not otherwise prohibited from voting under the provisions of § 5-106 of the Election Law. The District may require all persons offering to vote at the Annual Vote 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 identification card, a utility bill, or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, those applications for absentee ballots may be obtained at the office of the District Clerk in the District Office at 2045 School Street, PO Box 740, North Collins, NY 14111. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election, if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or on the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the office of the District Clerk, where it shall be open for inspection by any qualified voter of the District, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. prevailing time, until the day set for voting, except for Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that military voters who are qualified voters of the school district may apply for a military ballot. Applications for military ballots may be obtained from the office of the District Clerk in the District Office at 2045 School Street, PO Box 740, North Collins, NY 14111, or by email [kmason@northcollinscsd.org](mailto:kmason@northcollinscsd.org), and the military voter may designate a preference to receive the application by mail, fax or email. Completed applications for military ballots must be received by the District Clerk or her designee by no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 21, 2022.

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, or otherwise to be submitted for voting at the Annual Vote, must be filed with the Board of Education at the District Office on or before Monday, April 18, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. prevailing time; must be typed or printed in English, must be directed to the District Clerk, must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District, and must state the name and residence of each signer. However, the Board of Education 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.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the District continues to closely monitor all current and future legal developments as they pertain to District elections and budget votes. All District residents are encouraged to closely monitor the District's website at <https://www.northcollins.com> for the most up-to-date information concerning the District's Annual Vote.

District Clerk: Kathleen A. Mason  
School District: North Collins Central School  
Town of North Collins, County of Erie, New York

Dated: March 22, 2022