

Special Election of the Town of Hartland Fire Protection District
August 14th, 2024

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Town Law of the State of New York, that a Special Election of the Town of Hartland Fire Protection District will take place on the 14th day of August 2024, between the hours of 12:00 o'clock noon and 9:00 o'clock PM at Hartland Volunteer Fire Company, 8945 Ridge Rd., Gasport, New York, prevailing time, for the purpose of voting upon the following Proposition. All residents of the Town of Hartland Fire Protection District who were duly registered to vote with the County Board of Elections on or before August 1, 2024, shall be entitled to vote at the election.

PROPOSITION

Shall the Board Resolution of the Hartland Town Board, in the County of Niagara, New York, adopted December 14th, 2023, entitled:

“Board Resolution of the Hartland Town Board, in the County of Niagara, New York adopted December 14, 2023, authorizing the establishment of a defined benefit service award program (LOSAP) under General Municipal Law section 219 in the Town of Hartland Fire Protection District for the volunteer firefighters of the Hartland Volunteer Fire Company Inc. stating that the LOSAP shall be administered by the Town of Hartland on behalf of Town of Hartland Fire Protection District; stating the estimated annual cost will be \$51,125.00 based on the existing number of firefighters; stating that the annual tax rate to raise said \$51,125.00 is estimated to be .64 per thousand of assessed valuation; stating the estimated annual administrative fee will be \$3,432.00; stating the estimated annual cost per covered firefighter will be \$2,130.00 stating that each eligible participant shall receive credit for up to five (5) qualified years of active Firefighting Service prior to the establishment of the LOSAP; stating that payment of the benefit shall be in the form of a life annuity with 120 payments guaranteed; stating death and disability payments to be authorized to commence upon the date of establishment of the LOSAP, and regular defined award payments to be authorized to commence one year thereafter, stating that the projected monthly award to be paid to eligible volunteer firefighters shall be \$20 per month for each qualified year of active Firefighting Service, not to exceed 20 years, with payment in any month not to exceed \$400, payment to commence when (1) the eligible volunteer firefighter reaches the stipulated entitlement age of 65 and has five years of qualified active Firefighting Service or (2) the eligible volunteer firefighter reaches the stipulated entitlement age of 65 and thereafter completes one year of active Firefighting Service, after payments commence, the amount of payment will increase by \$20 per month for each additional year of active Firefighting Service, subject to the \$400 monthly “cap” be approved?