

**NOTICE OF REFERENDUM
CLARENCE FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
TOWN OF CLARENCE, NEW YORK**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Fire Commissioners, a referendum of the qualified voters of the Clarence Fire District No. 1, Town of Clarence, County of Erie, will be held at the fire house located at 10355 Main Street, Clarence, NY 14031, on December 8, 2020, between the hours of 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM prevailing time, to vote on the following proposition to approve the resolution adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners:

THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CLARENCE FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1, TOWN OF CLARENCE, COUNTY OF ERIE, IN A RESOLUTION ADOPTED OCTOBER 20, 2020, APPROVED THE AMENDMENT OF THE LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE FIRE DISTRICT AND ESTABLISHED FOR ACTIVE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER MEMBERS OF THE CLARENCE FIRE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021 TO (1) CHANGE THE ENTITLEMENT DATE FROM THE JANUARY 1ST FOLLOWING THE ATTAINMENT OF THE ENTITLEMENT AGE OF 60 TO THE 1ST OF THE MONTH COINCIDENT WITH OR FOLLOWING THE ATTAINMENT OF THE ENTITLEMENT AGE OF 60 AND (2) TO CHANGE THE NORMAL FORM OF PAYMENT FROM A LIFETIME MONTHLY PAYMENT TO A LIFETIME MONTHLY PAYMENT WITH THE FIRST 120 PAYMENTS GUARANTEED. ELECTIONS MADE BY PARTICIPANTS THAT ATTAINED THE ENTITLEMENT AGE PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2021 SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT AND NOT BE CHANGED AS A RESULT OF THIS AMENDMENT; PROVIDED HOWEVER THAT ADDITIONAL SERVICE AWARDS THAT BECOME PAYABLE ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021 SHALL BE AT THE FULL TWENTY-DOLLAR AMOUNT.

THE CURRENT COST OF THE PROGRAM IS APPROXIMATELY \$120,000, WHICH IS \$1,200 PER PARTICIPANT, PLUS ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF APPROXIMATELY \$7,500. BASED ON CURRENT FIREFIGHTER PARTICIPATION, THE ANNUAL COST OF THE AMENDED PROGRAM IS ESTIMATED TO BE \$130,000, OR \$1,300 PER ELIGIBLE FIREFIGHTER, PLUS AN ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE COST OF APPROXIMATELY \$7,500.

SHALL THE STATED RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS BE APPROVED

Any elector of the Clarence Fire District No. 1 who shall be registered voter with the Erie County Board of Elections on or prior to November 16, 2020 and who shall have resided in the Clarence Fire District No. 1 for at least thirty (30) days preceding such election shall be qualified to vote.

November 4, 2020

Clarence Fire District No. 1
Kristi Mora, Secretary