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Good afternoon,

Here is the backup information I have from what I testified to this morning. St. Johnsbury is currently a single voting district with 2 representatives. We are also a single school district. As you can see from the sheet that I have attached that is just happens naturally that both sides of town get represented. As I stated earlier I think the spilt of St. Johnsbury and adding 450 people from Lyndonville would be very unfair to those residents in Lyndonville. I don't feel that 450 residents and doubling the cost of August and November elections is enough to justify the split of both of our towns.

The biggest reason I am not in favor of the split of the town is polling location options. Prior to Covid we voted in our Elementary School. Since Covid we have not been able to use the school and are voting in the town office building. The space is very small here, we can only fit about 6 voting booths in there. If the split does happen I am not sure where we would be able to find another suitable polling location. The best open spaces happen to be in both of the schools that we cannot use. If Covid gets better and we are able to go back to the school to vote we would be able to split the gym into 2 sections, it will be a tight fit but I think I can make it work. I would prefer not to have to try though.

We have not heard anything from the Towns of Concord or Kirby. I know we do work closely with both towns when it comes to Fire Rescue services. If a change has to be made I think the combination of our 3 towns is better for all.

Thank you again for you time!

Stacy Jewell

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