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TOWN OF ISLESBORO

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ON

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT – 8/25/2020 REFERENDUM VOTE

THE SELECT BOARD WILL CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON

ALL WARRANT ARTICLES (INCLUDING THE MUNICIPAL AND SCHOOL BUDGET)

THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2020

TOWN OFFICE, 150 MAIN ROAD, ISLESBORO, ME 04848

5:30 PM

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ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
Town of Islesboro, Maine
Tuesday, August 25, 2020

TO: Fred O. Porter, Constable of the Town of Islesboro, in the County of Waldo, State of Maine

GREETINGS:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF MAINE, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Islesboro qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the **Town Office Meeting Room**, 150 Main Road in said Town of Islesboro on **Tuesday, August 25, 2020**, at **8:00 AM until 8:00 PM** then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To elect by secret ballot:

- A. Two Select Board members for three year terms, to expire at the 2023 Annual Town Meeting.
- B. Two School Committee members for three year terms, to expire at the 2023 Annual Town Meeting.

To vote by secret ballot on the following referendum questions:

ARTICLE 3. School Budget. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$2,678,613** and to raise the sum of **\$2,389,540** for the FY 2021 school budget.

VOTER INFORMATION FOR ARTICLE 3

The Islesboro school budget submitted in this Article 3 totals \$2,678,613. It includes locally raised funds in the amount of \$2,389,540. The locally raised amount exceeds the maximum state and local spending target by \$1,384,718.88. This budget includes these expenditure cost centers and amounts:

Cost Center	Amount Appropriated
Regular Instruction	\$ 1,254,000
Special Education	\$ 262,060
Career and Technical Education	\$ 35,367
Other Instruction	\$ 107,619
Student and Staff Support	\$ 151,556
System Administration	\$ 119,516
School Administration	\$ 186,616
Transportation and Buses	\$ 65,177

Facilities Maintenance	\$ 257,620
Debt Service and Other Commitments	\$ 171,910
All Other Expenditures	\$ 67,172
Summary of Total Authorized School Budget Expenditures:	\$ \$2,678,613

The FY 2021 proposed School Budget is available for review and inspection at the Town Clerk's Office and will be available at the Town Meeting.

School Committee Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 4. Additional School Budget Transfer Authority. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to transfer amounts exceeding 5% of the total appropriation for any cost center to another cost center or among other cost centers for the FY 2021 fiscal year, provided that (i) any such transfers shall not be permitted to increase the authorized total school budget, and (ii) any such transfers are first approved at a properly called public meeting of the School Committee.

School Committee Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 5. Adult Education Program. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate all fees and other additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts received for the Adult Educational Program in the interest and for the well-being of that program.

School Committee Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 6. School Reserve Accounts. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$64,000 for School Reserve Accounts, including \$4,000 for the School Bus Reserve Account, \$40,000 for the School Capital Improvement Reserve Account, and \$20,000 for the Solar Capital Reserve Account, and to authorize the School Committee to expend these respective sums and all other sums previously appropriated for the designated purposes of these School Reserve Accounts.

School Committee Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 7. Region 8 Career and Technical Education Budget. To see if the Town will vote to approve the regional career and technical operating budget as approved by the Region 8 Cooperative Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 in the amount of \$5,644,046, with the local share from the Town being \$3,674.01.

School Committee Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 8. Region 8 Adult Career and Technical Education Program. To see if the career and technical region will appropriate \$228,723 for Adult Education for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 and raise \$86,750 as the local share, with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the Adult Education Program, with the local share from the Town being \$1,308.97.

School Committee Recommends a “Yes” Vote.

ARTICLE 9. Municipal Budget. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of **\$4,022,118.50** and to raise the sum of **\$3,073,516.50** for the Town of Islesboro FY 2021 Municipal Budget as detailed below.

	Amount Appropriated
General Government	\$ 665,290.00
Public Safety Services	\$ 200,944.00
Health & Welfare	\$ 765,206.00
Public Works	\$ 638,300.00
Waste Removal	\$ 210,490.00
Recreation	\$ 179,685.00
Provider Agencies	\$ 13,530.00
Unclassified	\$ 370,922.00
Capital Reserve Accounts	\$ 590,000.00
Debt Service/Miscellaneous	\$ 387,751.50
TOTAL	\$ 4,022,118.50

The FY 2021 proposed Municipal Budget is available for review and inspection at the Town Clerk’s Office and will be available at the Town Meeting.

Select Board Recommends a “Yes” Vote.

ARTICLE 10. Municipal Budget. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$948,602 from revenues and unassigned fund balance and thereby decrease the amount to be raised by taxation as follows:

Source of Funds	FY 2021 Amount
Excise Taxes (Estimated Revenue)	\$155,000
Non-Tax General Fund Revenues (Estimated Revenue)	\$164,150

Unassigned Fund Balance	\$545,000
State Revenue Sharing (Estimated Revenue)	\$39,052
Homestead Exemption Reimbursement (Estimated Revenue)	\$45,400
TOTAL	\$948,602

The FY 2021 proposed Municipal Budget is available for review and inspection at the Town Clerk's Office and will be available at the Town Meeting.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize payment of the overdrafts which may occur in the Town's operation during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 by appropriation from unassigned fund balance.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to set the following as the due dates for taxes:
First Tax Bill: Due date of September 30, 2020, with the rate of interest on unpaid taxes as of October 1, 2020 at 8% per year; and
Second Tax Bill: Due date of February 28, 2021, with the rate of interest on unpaid taxes as of March 1, 2021 at 8% per year.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to carry forward, and assign fund balance accordingly, to FY 2021 any appropriated but unexpended funds at June 30, 2020 fiscal year end, provided that the funds are used for the same purpose as originally appropriated.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to accept pre-payment of real estate and personal property taxes not yet due or assessed, with no interest to be paid on the same.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to expend such sums of money as it deems necessary from the Capital Reserve Accounts for their designated purposes, recognizing that these expenditures may be reflected outside of the Town's approved budget.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board and the Treasurer, on behalf of the Town and any of the Town's departments, to accept gifts, real estate, donations, and other funds, including trust funds that may be given or left to the Town, and to grant the Select Board the further authority to expend such sums of money as it deems necessary from these donations for their designated purposes, recognizing that these expenditures may be reflected outside of the Town's approved budget.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at 4% per year for FY 2021 and to authorize such interest paid or abatements granted to be appropriated from overlay funds or, if necessary, from unassigned fund balance (surplus).

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to apply for State, federal (including Community Development Block Grants) and other grants on the Town's behalf for purposes deemed by the Select Board to be in the best interests of the Town; to accept such grants, including, when necessary, signing contracts and related documents and accepting conditions of approval; and to expend such grant funds for any purpose for which the Town has appropriated funds.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board, on behalf of the Town, to dispose of any personal property regardless of how it was obtained and any real estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes on such terms as it deems advisable and to execute quit-claim deeds, if applicable, for such property; provided that property to be disposed of shall be advertised and sold by sealed bid except for the purpose of clearing title or conveyance of real estate to a prior owner, except that the Select Board shall use the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S. § 943-C for qualifying homestead property if it chooses to sell it to anyone other than the former owner(s).

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.


ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to resolve any disputes with parties having an interest adverse to the Town which do not involve the expenditure of public funds or where there are sufficient funds in budgeted accounts to allow payment of any claim which is to be settled.

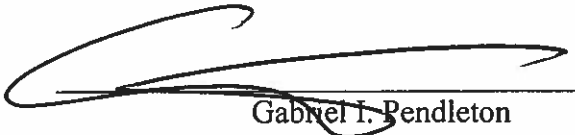
Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

The Select Board give notice that the Registrar of Voters will be at the Town Office on Tuesday, August 25, 2020 from 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM for the purpose of accepting registrations and correcting the voting list.

A person who is not registered to vote may not vote in any election.


Archibald L. Gillies


Lauren K. Bruce


Gabriel I. Pendleton

absent
Shey V. Conover


Philip T. Seymour
Islesboro Select Board

Date: June 24, 2020

ATTEST: A True Copy


Tina L. Pendleton, Deputy Town Clerk

Date: 6 / 24 / 2020

Posted: 7 / 10 / 2020

RETURN


ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND REFERENDUM VOTE August 25, 2020

Pursuant to the attached warrant, I have notified and warned all the voters of the Town of Islesboro to meet at the time and place for the purpose herein named by posting this day an attested copy of the warrant at the:

Durkee's General Store
Island Market
Islesboro Town Office
U.S. Post Office

Being conspicuous public places in the Town of Islesboro.

July 10, 2020


Fred O. Porter, Constable
Town of Islesboro
Waldo County