## **RESULTS**

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Town of Islesboro, Maine Saturday, June 15, 2024

### **REGISTERED VOTERS IN ATTENDANCE: 134**

Clerks: Brian Bohanan, David Dyer, Carrie Reed, Rachel Rolerson-Smith, Terry Sanderson,

Rhonda Shand

Counters: Elizabeth Hayden, Kathy Kerr, Christina Robb

## Deputy Clerk Tina Pendleton opened the meeting at 9:15 AM

# Article 1. To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting. PAGE CLASON was elected as moderator by WRITTEN BALLOT

5 YES, 0 NO

## Article 2. To elect the following Town officials:

A. One **Select Board** member for a term of **three** years, to expire at the 2027 Annual Town Meeting. [Currently Peter Anderson's seat.]

The following individuals had taken out Nomination Papers:

**Peter Anderson** 

Kizzi Barton

**Nakomis Nelson** 

Nominated from the floor:

**Stephen Pendleton** 

Voting began before Barton and Nelson had the chance to speak as they wished for their nomination papers to apply to this vote. The vote was terminated and the 17 votes cast were voided.

**VOTE #1** did not result in a majority – **TOTAL VOTES: 134** 

PENDLETON 50 - ANDERSON 49 - BARTON 22 - NELSON 11 - 2 INVALID

Nelson and Barton withdrew their bids for this seat.

**VOTE #2** –

TOTAL VOTES: 128 PENDLETON 67 – ANDERSON 61

STEPHEN PENDLETON IS VOTED IN AS SELECT BOARD MEMBER – 3 year term

B. One **Select Board** member for a term of **one** year, to expire at the 2025 Annual Town Meeting. [Currently Philip Seymour's vacant seat.]

Nomination Papers (open-ended so still in effect):

**Nakomis Nelson** 

Nominated from the floor:

**Peter Anderson** 

Kizzi Barton

**Frank Start** 

**Jordy Watson** 

Discussion was held on if a full-time Town Employee can be a member of the Select Board. Town Manager, Janet Anderson, assured the voters that the town lawyer said it was possible but that individual may have to recuse themselves from certain votes.

TOTAL VOTES CAST: 127 ANDERSON 80 - START 19 - BARTON 18 - WATSON 10

## PETER ANDERSON IS VOTED IN AS SELECT BOARD MEMBER – 1 year term

C. One **School Board** member for a term of **three** years, to expire at the 2027 Annual Town Meeting. [Currently Julie Reidy's seat]

Nominated from the floor:

Jennifer Selendy (Jennifer was not in attendance, but had prepared a statement to be read accepting the nomination)

Frank Start

TOTAL VOTES CAST: 106 SELENDY 83 - START 20 - INVALID 3

## JENNIFER SELENDY IS VOTED IN TO THE SCHOOL BOARD – 3 year term

D. One **School Board** member for a term of **three** years, to expire at the 2027 Annual Town Meeting. [Currently Coleen Dove's seat.]

Nominated from the floor:

Colleen Dove (not in attendance but had previously agreed to accept the nomination) Amy Mulnix

TOTAL VOTES CAST: 105 DOVE 89 – MULNIX 16

COLLEEN DOVE IS RE-ELECTED TO THE SCHOOL BOARD - 3 year term

E. One **School Board** member for a term of **one** year, to expire at the 2025 Annual Town Meeting. [Currently David Dyer's vacant seat.]

Nominated from the floor:

Kizzi Barton

Jesse Burns

Amy Mulnix

Lars Nelson

**VOTE #1 Did not result in a majority. –** 

**TOTAL VOTES CAST: 85** 

NELSON 35 - MULNIX 21 - BARTON 15 - BURNS 14

Mulnix, Barton, and Burns withdrew their bids for this seat.

**VOTE #2** 

TOTAL VOTES CAST: 11 NELSON 11

LARS NELSON IS VOTED IN TO THE SCHOOL BOARD – 1 year term

Motion was made and seconded to move out of order to Article # 56 at this time as there were people who may have input on this issue that need to leave early.

### PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS

Following some discussion it was determined that according to the current Moderator's Manual, Seventh Edition from 2021, that the moderator CAN deputize someone without needing to go to a vote.

MODERATOR PAGE CLASON DEPUTIZED TOM TUTOR AS MODERATOR FOR THIS ARTICLE BECAUSE IT COULD BE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST AS HE IS EMPLOYED BY GWI.

Discussion was held: John Rex-Waller, Chair of the IMB Oversight Committee, explained that the committee is happy with services provided by GWI. At such time as a contract is presented by the committee and accepted by the Select Board.

Article 56. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to enter into an Operating Agreement with GWI, under which GWI will operate and maintain the Townowned fiber optic broadband network, for a term of up to ten (10) years, to further authorize the Select Board to negotiate and execute such agreement on such terms and conditions as the Select Board determines to be in the best interests of the Town, and to waive the requirement in the Town's Purchasing Policy that such agreement be put out to competitive bid.

PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS

### Motion was made and seconded to move back into order.

## PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS

Zach Conover thanked Julie for her time on the board. He read a letter from Principal Kate Legere, who could not be in attendance.

Julie Reidy, Chair of the School Committee stated that she does not support this budget. Julie read a letter from Superintendent Dominic DePatsy stating that he does not support this budget.

Sally McDonough, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, also stated that she does not support this budget.

## Motion was made and seconded to pass over the School Articles 3-27 to be considered at a later date.

Discussion was held concerning the large increase in the school budget. Zach Conover and Sky Purdy, two of the members of the school budget committee, explained that the increase was not because of an increase in spending, but rather because of last year's budget using the fund balance and coming in lower than usual.

Motion was made and seconded to allow the new School Superintendent CORNELIA BROWN, who is not a resident of Islesboro, speak.

PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS

Connie said that stated that she did not have experience with a budget being passed over and thought it would be better to get direction from the school or town's attorney.

## The Motion to pass over School Articles 3-28 was rescinded.

ARTICLE #3	PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.	
Recommend <u>\$1,385,709.00</u>	
<b>School Committee Recommends:</b>	\$1,385,709.00
The Regular Instruction includes expenses directly r	elated to K-12 classroom teaching and
learning such as salaries for teachers, substitutes, ins	structional materials and supplies.
Teaching salaries	\$985,982.00
Benefits and health insurance	283,022.00
Professional credits and development, dues, conferen	nces, travel 22,945.00
Contracted services and copiers	14,050.00
Materials, books, supplies	38,085.00
Furniture, fixtures, equipment	7,800.00
Computer hardware and software	23,625.00
Secondary tuition classes and field trips	10,200.00
TOTAL REGULAR INSTRUCTION	\$1,385,709.00

ARTICLE #4	PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS	
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Special Education.		
Recommend \$204,393.00.		
<b>School Committee Recommends:</b>	9	\$204,393.00
Special Education includes expenses for direct classroom instruction and outside		
special education services.		
Teaching and coordinator salaries		\$135,138.00
Benefits and health insurance		34,868.00
Professional credits, dues, conferences, travel		3,217.00
Contracted services and testing		28,250.00
Materials, books, supplies		2,920.00
Furniture, fixtures, equipment		0.00
Computer hardware and software		0.00
Student tuition		0.00
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION		\$204,393.00

ARTICLE # 5 PASSED	BY SHOW OF HANDS	
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical		
Education. Recommend <u>\$45,109.00.</u>		
School Committee Recommends: \$45,109		
Career and Technical Education includes assessment expenses approved by the Region 8		
Cooperative Board directly related to student vocational education and debt service.		
Student Assessment Vocational	\$6,530.00	
Vocational Assessment Debt Service	\$38,579.00	
TOTAL CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION	\$45,109.00	

ARTICLE #6	PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.	
Recommend <u>\$140,905.00.</u>	
<b>School Committee Recommends:</b>	\$140,905.00
Other Instruction includes expenses directly related to extra-curricular athletics and co-	
curricular activities.	
Stipends and salaries	\$82,792.00
Benefits	6,913.00
Dues and conferences	1,700.00
Officials	9,500.00
Supplies	10,000.00
Student travel	30,000.00
TOTAL OTHER INSTRUCTION	\$140,905.00

ARTICLE #7 PASSEI	D BY SHOW OF HANDS
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for	or Student and Staff Support.
Recommend <u>\$203,178.00</u> .	
School Committee Recommends:	\$203,178.00
Student and Staff Support includes expenses for direct su	pport of classroom instruction and
learning such as guidance, health services and technology	services.
GUIDANCE	
Teaching salaries	\$118,676.00
Benefits and health insurance	60,597.00
Professional credits, dues, conferences, travel	2,650.00
Contracted services, Pathways and testing	4,000.00
Materials, books, supplies	800.00
Furniture, fixtures, equipment	0.00
Computer hardware and software	0.00
Field trips and student travel	700.00
TOTAL GUIDANCE	\$187,423.00
STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES	
<b>Health Contracted Services</b>	\$9,880.00
Health Supplies and Dues	\$770.00
TOTAL STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES	\$10,650.00
TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	
Summer Tech Services, Web Master	\$4,870.00
Benefits	235.00
TOTAL TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	\$5,105.00
TOTAL STUDENT AND STAFF SUPPORT	\$203,178.00

ARTICLE #8 PASSED BY SI	HOW OF HANDS
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for System Administration. Recommend	
<u>\$188,633.00</u> .	
School Committee Recommends:	\$188,633.00
System Administration includes all expenses system-wide for the School Committee, financial	
services and Superintendent's Office.	
BOARD OF DIRECTORS	
Stipends	\$2,800.00
Benefits	230.00
Contracted services, legal services, liability insurance	7,878.00
Dues, conferences, advertising, supplies, travel	2,600.00
TOTAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS	\$13,508.00
ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	
Financial contracted technical services	\$13,472.00

Audit	17,000.00
Financial system technology supplies	670.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	\$31,142.00
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT	
Salaries	\$123,362.00
Benefits and health insurance	17,771.00
Professional credits, dues, conferences, travel	1,900.00
Contracted services	0.00
Computer hardware, software, equipment, furniture and supplies	950.00
TOTAL OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT	\$143,983.00
TOTAL SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION	\$188,633.00

ARTICLE #9	PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for School Administration. Recommend	
<u>\$202,796.00.</u>	
<b>School Committee Recommends:</b>	\$202,796.00
School Administration includes all expenses for	the direct operation of the Principal's Office.
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL	
Salaries	\$141,036.00
Benefits and health insurance	53,160.00
Professional credits, dues, conferences, travel	2,200.00
Contracted and technical services	2,000.00
Printing and binding, periodicals, supplies	4,200.00
Furniture, fixtures, equipment, repair	200.00
Computer hardware and software	0.00
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL	\$202,796.00
TOTAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	\$202,796.00

ARTICLE # 10	PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.	
Recommend <u>\$50,584.00.</u>	
<b>School Committee Recommends:</b>	\$50,584.00
Transportation and Buses includes all expenses	for student transportation and bus purchases
and bus maintenance.	
BUS OPERATION	
Salaries	\$22,760.00
Benefits and health insurance	2,867.00
Contracted services, testing, fees	850.00
Fuel, insurance, travel	16,896.00
Maintenance, parts, supplies	7,211.00
New Equipment	0.00
Lease/Purchase payment	0.00
Out of District transportation	0.00
TOTAL BUS OPERATION	\$50,584.00

ARTICLE #11 PAS	SED BY SHOW OF HANDS
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend	d for Facilities Maintenance. Recommend:
<u>\$321,247.00</u>	
<b>School Committee Recommends:</b>	\$321,247.00
Facilities Maintenance includes all expenses for operation of the plant.	
OPERATION OF PLANT	
Salaries	\$100,716.00
Benefits and health insurance	48,313.00
Property and liability insurances	20,425.00
Contracted, repair services	41,568.00
Utilities, fuel oil, propane	95,700.00
Furniture, fixtures, equipment, repair, travel, supplies	, fees 14,525.00
Contingency Fund	0.00
TOTAL OPERATION OF PLANT	\$321,247.00
TOTAL FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	\$321,247.00

ARTICLE # 12	PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Debt Service. Recommend: \$189,438.00	
School Committee Recommends:	\$189,438.00
<b>School Construction Bond Interest</b>	\$29,438.00
School Construction Bond Principal	\$160,000.00
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$189,438.00

ARTICLE #13	PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures Recommen	
<u>\$94,373.00</u> .	
School Committee Recommends: \$94	
All Other Expenditures includes the local expenses for the school food service program.	
FOOD SERVICE	
Salaries	\$51,104.00
Benefits and health insurance	13,667.00
Contracted services, equipment, repairs, supplies, travel,	, fees 9,602.00
Food	20,000.00
TOTAL FOOD SERVICE	\$94,373.00
TOTAL ALL OTHER EXPENDITURES	\$94,373.00

### **ARTICLE #14**

## PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS

To see what sum the Town will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act (Recommends \$905,002.36)\*\* and to see what sum the Town will raise as the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statues, Title 20-A, section 15688. (Recommend \$830,923.21)\*\*

**School Committee Recommends:** 

Approval as written.

Explanation: The Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that a municipality must raise in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.

\*\*Preliminary estimate numbers from ED279 released January 17, 2024.

### **ARTICLE #15**

## PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS

To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the Town voters for non-state-funded school construction projects and non-state-funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12.

Recommend \$189,438.00.

School Committee Recommends:	Approval as written.
School Construction Bond Interest	\$29,438.00
School Construction Bond Principal	\$160,000.00
Total Debt Service	\$189,438.00

Explanation: Non-state funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the town's long-term debt for major capital school construction projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by voters.

ARTICLE # 16 PASSED BY SHOW OF HANDS			
To see if the Town will Raise \$94,373.00 for the Food Service Program.			
<b>School Committee Recommends:</b>	\$94,373.00		

## ARTICLE # 17 DID NOT PASS 33-YES, 36 NO

(Written Ballot Required) To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (Recommend \$1,590,495.79) which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation by (Recommend \$1,590,495.79) as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Committee?

The School Committee Recommends \$1,590,495.79 for additional local funds and gives the following reason for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$1,590,495.79: The State Funding Model does not fund all of the costs necessary to run island schools.

## Motion was made and seconded to pass over Articles 18-27.

At this point there was much discussion about continuing with the following school articles since Article 17 did not pass. Bill Kelly had left the meeting earlier and was unable to be reached.

Motion to pass over Articles 18-27 was rescinded.

Motion was made and seconded to take the articles out of order, to do Town Articles 28-55, giving the School Board more time to try to find an answer about continuing the School Articles.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Please see article 28 on Page 12

### **ARTICLE #18**

To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statues, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools. Recommend \$3,026,365.00.

School Committee Recommends: Approval as written.

## ARTICLE # 19

To see if the Town will appropriate <u>\$0.00</u> for Adult Education and raise <u>\$0.00</u> 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.

School Committee Recommends: Approval as written.

## ARTICLE # 20

**Vocational Education Regional Day Programs** 

"Shall the Regional Career and Technical Operating Budget as approved by the Region 8 Cooperative Board for the year beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 be approved in the amount of \$6,097,007.00?" Local share from this school district is: \$6,530.04.

School Committee Recommends: Approval as written.

## ARTICLE # 21

**Adult Vocational Education Regional Programs** 

"To see if the career and technical education region will appropriate \$245,082.00 for Adult Education for the year beginning July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and raise \$93,000.00 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." Local share from this school district is: \$1,912.85.

School Committee Recommends: Approval as written.

ARTICLE # 22	
To see what sum of money the Town will RAISE and APPROPRIATE for the School Bus Reserve Account.	
School Bus Reserve	\$3,000.00
School Committee Recommends:	\$3,000.00

ARTICLE # 23	
To see what sum of money the Town will RAISE and APPROPRIATE	
for the Capital Improvement Reserve Account.	
Capital Improvement Reserve Account	\$60,000.00
School Committee Recommends:	\$60,000.00

ARTICLE # 24	
To see what sum of money the Town will RAISE and APPROPRIATE	
for the Solar Project Reserve Account.	
Solar Project Reserve Account	\$12,100.00
School Committee Recommends:	\$12,100.00

ARTICLE # 25	
To see what sum of money the Town will RAISE and APPROPRIATE	
for the School Nutrition Reserve Fund.	
School Nutrition Reserve Fund	\$30,000.00
School Committee Recommends:	\$30,000.00

ARTICLE # 26	
To see what sum of money the Town will RAISE and APPROPRIATE	
for the Contingency Reserve Fund.	
Contingency Reserve Fund	\$19,500.00
School Committee Recommends:	\$19,500.00

### ARTICLE # 27

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the School Committee to expend such sums of money as they deem necessary from the School Bus Reserve, Capital Improvement Reserve, Solar Project Reserve, School Nutrition Reserve, and Contingency Reserve Accounts for their designated purposes. These expenditures may be reflected outside of the School's approved budget.

School Committee Recommends:

Approval as written.

# **Town articles:**

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **GENERAL ADMINISTRATION** purposes:

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

**FY25** Purpose FY24 Budget **Proposed Budget** A. Select Board \$16,625.00 \$16,625. \$44,400.00 B. Municipal Building \$40,400.00 \$122,378.00 C. Islesboro Mun. Broadband Subsidy \$123,910.00 D. Planning, Assessing, Codes \$101,385.00 \$135,010.00 E. Administration \$285,284.96 \$319,115.00 F. Early Education \$93,000.00 \$129,750.00 G. Consultants/Roads Committee \$500.00 \$500.00 H. Board of Appeals \$300.00 \$400.00 \$734.553.00 TOTAL \$695,029,96

Select Board recommends a "Yes" vote.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **PUBLIC SAFETY** purposes:

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

**FY25 Purpose** FY24 Budget **Proposed Budget** A. Fire Protection \$69,271.00 \$72,322.00 B. Public Safety \$123,158.00 \$126,746.00 C. Emergency Management Training \$880.00 \$880.00 D. Communication \$5,000.00 \$5,000.00 E. Street Lights \$7,000.00 \$7,000.00 F. Water Rescue \$1,000.00 -0-\$212,948.00 **TOTAL** \$206,309.00

Select Board recommends a "Yes" vote.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **HEALTH & WELFARE** purposes:

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

**FY25** Purpose FY24 Budget **Proposed Budget** A. Ambulance \$95,331.00 \$96,715.00 B. General Assistance \$36,000.00 \$36,000.00 C. Health Center Operations \$903,672.00 \$785,593.00 D. Island Fellow \$7,000.00 -0-E. Coastal Community Grant \$10,000.00 -0-\$1,035,847.00 **TOTAL** \$933,924.00

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **PUBLIC WORKS** purposes:

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Purpose FY24 Budget Proposed Budget

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A. Road Maintenance	\$157,000.00	\$402,000.00
B. Personnel & Vehicle Expenses	\$127,748.00	\$136,675.00
C. Snow Removal	\$259,750.00	\$265,300.00
D. Building Maintenance	\$69,985.00	\$157,850.00
E. Energy Committee	\$50,000.00	\$65,000.00
TOTAL	\$664,483.00	\$1,026,825.00

Select Board recommends a "Yes" vote.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **WASTE REMOVAL** purposes:

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

FY25

Purpose	FY24 Budget	Proposed Budget
A. Septage Field + Mowing Contract	\$1,100.00	\$4,900.00
B. Transfer Station	\$245.855.00	\$262,450.00
TOTAL	\$246,955.00	\$267,350.00

Select Board recommends a "Yes" vote.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **RECREATION** purposes:

## PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

		FY25
Purpose	FY24 Budget	<b>Proposed Budget</b>
A. Library	\$90,622.00	\$94,393.00
B. Museum	\$23,640.00	\$23,900.00
C. Harbors	\$50,000.00	\$44,300.00
D. Shellfish Conservation	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
E. Recreation Programs	\$53,236.00	\$60,150.00
TOTAL	\$218,498.00	\$223,743.00

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCY** purposes:

Purpose	FY24 Budget	FY25 Proposed Budget
A. Waldo Comm. Action Partners	\$690.00	\$978.00
B. Hospice of Waldo County	\$500.00	\$500.00
C. New Hope for Women	\$1,985.00	\$1,985.00
D. American Red Cross	\$300.00	-0-
E. Spectrum Generations	\$300.00	\$315.00
F. The Lifeflight Foundation	\$583.00	\$583.00
G. Waldo YMCA	\$50.00	\$50.00
H. Waldo Pet Food Pantry (new)	\$250.00	-0-
I. Waldo County Bounty (new)	\$200.00	-0-
J. Outreach Worker	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
TOTAL	\$19,858.00	\$19,411.00

Select Board recommends a "Yes" vote.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **UNCLASSIFIED** purposes:

## PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

		FY25
Purpose	FY24 Budget	Proposed Budget
A. Memorial Day Celebration	\$600.00	\$600.00
B. Town Cemeteries	\$8,000.00	\$9,500.00
C. Health & Liability Insurances	\$342,850.00	\$407,050.00
D. Auditing Report	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00
TOTAL	\$383,450.00	\$449,150.00

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **CAPITAL RESERVE ACCOUNT** purposes:

Purpose	FY24 Budget	FY25 Proposed Budget
A. Municipal Buildings	\$10,000.00	-0-
B. Soccer Field Improvement	\$0.00	-0-
C. Solar – Salt Building (buy out)	\$34,000.00	-0-
D. Solar – Town Office (buy out)	\$34,000.00	-0-
E. Dark Harbor Waste Water	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
F. Fire Engine	\$5,000.00	-0-
G. Health Center Electronic Tech.	\$40,000.00	-0-
H. Sea Level Rise/Engineering	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
I. Police Cruiser	\$13,000.00	-0-
J. Road Reconstruction/Paving	\$100,000.00	\$200,000.00
K. Public Works Equipment	\$5,000.00	-0-
TOTAL	\$281,000.00	\$240,000.00

Select Board recommends a "Yes" vote.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **MISCELLANEOUS** purposes:

## PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Purpose	FY24 Budget	FY25 Proposed Budget
A. Debt Service/ IMB	\$265,537.50	\$263,837.50
B. Debt Service/Municipal Building		
Project/MMBB (Fall \$2.6 million)	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00
B. Contingency	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
TOTAL	\$340,537.50	\$338,837.50

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the categories of **REVENUE** funds listed below and thereby decrease the amount to be raised by taxation:

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A. Excise Taxes (Estimated Revenue):	\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00
B. Non-Tax General Fund Revenues (Estimated Revenue):	\$180,605.00	\$188,939.00
C. Undesignated Fund Balance	\$100,000.00	\$225,000.00
D. State Revenue Sharing (Estimated Revenue):	\$90,767.11	\$112,232.00
E. Homestead Exemption Reimbursement (Estimated Revenue):	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
TOTAL	\$586,372.11	\$741,171.00

Select Board recommends a "Yes" vote.

Article 39. Shall an ordinance entitled "2024 Amendments to the Islesboro Land Use Ordinance Regarding Affordable Housing and Minimum Lot Sizes" be enacted?

(The proposed ordinance 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.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 40. Shall an ordinance entitled "2024 Amendments to the Islesboro Land Use Ordinance Regarding Accessory Dwelling Units" be enacted?

(The proposed ordinance 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.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 41. Shall an ordinance entitled "2024 Amendments to the Islesboro Land Use Ordinance Regarding Definitions" be enacted?

(The proposed ordinance 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.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 42. Shall an ordinance entitled "2024 Amendments to the Islesboro Land Use Ordinance Swimming Pools, Geothermal Heating Systems, and Fire Suppression Systems" be enacted? **Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.** 

Fire Chief, Murton Durkee, spoke about his concerns with way this ordinance is worded and if it would limit the Fire Department from being able to refill the tanker trucks during or after a fire. There was also some discussion on if the town should be able to dictate what homeowners can do on their property.

**DID NOT PASS** 

Article 43. Shall an ordinance entitled "2024 Amendments to the Islesboro Development Review Ordinance Regarding Minimum Lot Sizes and Parking" be enacted?

(The proposed ordinance 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.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 44. Shall an ordinance entitled "2024 Amendment to the Town of Islesboro Code of Ordinances to Adopt Changes to the Protection Districts Map, as incorporated into the Town of Islesboro Code of Ordinances through Chapter 125, Section 125-9, to change the protection district classification of the property identified as Tax Map 17, Lot 9A from Rural to Town Centers District" be enacted?

(The proposed ordinance 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.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 45. Shall an ordinance entitled "2024 Amendment to the Town of Islesboro Code of Ordinances to Adopt Changes to the Protection Districts Map, as incorporated into the Town of Islesboro Code of Ordinances through Chapter 125, Section 125-9, to change the protection district classification of the properties identified as Tax Map 24, Lots 2, 2A,3,4,5,5A,6,7,8,8A, 9,10,11,13,13A,14,15,17,19,19A, 20, 22, 22A, 23, 23A, 23B, 23C, and 24 from Rural to Town Centers District" be enacted? (The proposed ordinance 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.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 46. 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, 2024 by appropriation from unassigned fund balance.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 47. 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, 2024, with the rate of interest on unpaid taxes as of October 1, 2024 at Eight (8.50) percent annual rate.

Second Tax Bill: Due date of February 28, 2025, with the rate of interest on unpaid taxes as of March 1, 2025 at Eight (8.50) percent annual rate.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to carry over, and assign fund balance accordingly, to the 2023-24 fiscal year any appropriated but unexpended funds at June 30, 2024 fiscal year end, provided that the funds are used for the same purpose as originally appropriated.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to accept pre-payment of real estate and personal property taxes not yet due or assessed. The Town does not apply interest on such collections.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 50. 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 they deem necessary from these donations for their designated purposes. These expenditures may be reflected outside of the Town's approved budget. Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

## PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at 2% for FY2024 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.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 52. 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.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 53. 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 they deem advisable and to execute quit-claim deeds, if applicable, for such property. 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.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

## PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 54. 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.

### PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to accept delivery on behalf of the Town of an easement from Wendy L. Hammett granting the Town access and utility easement rights on, over and under the gravel drive located at 1277 Meadow Pond Road (a portion of Tax Map 32, Lot 4) on such terms and conditions as the Select Board deems to be in the best interests of the Town.

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Motion made by the moderator and seconded that School Articles 18-27 be postponed until August 24, 2024 at 9:00 AM or sooner as publicly posted. In the meantime the School Committee will seek legal counsel on how to address the remaining open articles.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Meeting was adjourned at 5:24 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Sina L. Pendletan

Tina L. Pendleton

Deputy Town Clerk