

RESULTS

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Town of Islesboro, Maine
Saturday, May 16, 2026

REGISTERED VOTERS IN ATTENDANCE: 140

Clerks: Brian Bohanon, David Dyer, Carrie Reed, Rachel Rolerson-Smith, Terry Sanderson
Counters: Anne Bertuli, Amy Mulnix, Janis Petzel

Deputy Clerk, Tina Pendleton, opened the meeting at 9:16 AM

Article 1. To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

PAGE CLASON was elected moderator by WRITTEN BALLOT 7 YES, 0 NO

SCHOOL ARTICLES

School Board Chair, Zach Conover, spoke about the budget and extended thanks to Kate Legere for her time as Principal; Kate is going back to teaching.

ARTICLE	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction. Recommend \$1,342,627.00	
School Committee Recommends:	\$1,342,627.00
The Regular Instruction includes expenses directly related to K-12 classroom teaching and learning such as salaries for teachers, substitutes, instructional materials and supplies.	
Teaching salaries	938,755.00
Benefits and health insurance	311,649.00
Professional credits, dues, conferences, travel	21,988.00
Contracted services and copiers	15,000.00
Materials, books, supplies	35,885.00
Furniture, fixtures, equipment	7,000.00
Computer hardware and software	4,000.00
Secondary tuition classes and field trips	8,350.00
TOTAL REGULAR INSTRUCTION	1,342,627.00

ARTICLE # 3	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Special Education. Recommend \$320,764.00.	
School Committee Recommends:	\$320,764.00
Special Education includes expenses for direct classroom instruction and outside Special Education services.	
Teaching and coordinator salaries	\$224,416.00
Benefits and health insurance	67,875.00
Professional credits, dues, conferences, travel	1,653.00

Contracted services and testing	24,000.00
Materials, books, supplies	2,820.00
Furniture, fixtures, equipment	0.00
Computer hardware and software	0.00
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$320,764.00

ARTICLE # 4	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education. Recommend <u>\$37,474.00.</u>	
School Committee Recommends:	\$37,474.00
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	\$7,623.00
Vocational Assessment Debt Service	\$29,851.00
TOTAL CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION	\$37,474.00

ARTICLE # 5	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction. Recommend <u>\$150,730.00.</u>	
School Committee Recommends:	\$150,730.00
Other Instruction includes expenses directly related to extra-curricular athletics and co-curricular activities.	
Stipends and salaries	\$73,695.00
Benefits	5,536.00
Professional Services, dues, conferences	3,238.00
Officials	8,945.00
Supplies	5,330.00
New Equipment	986.00
Student travel	53,000.00
TOTAL OTHER INSTRUCTION	\$150,730.00

ARTICLE # 6	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support. Recommend <u>\$171,000.00.</u>	
School Committee Recommends:	\$171,000.00
Student and Staff Support includes expenses for direct support of classroom instruction and learning such as guidance, health services and technology services.	
GUIDANCE	
Teaching salaries	103,729.00
Benefits and health insurance	37,048.00
Professional credits, dues, conferences, travel	2,800.00
Contracted services, Pathways and testing	4,700.00
Materials, books, supplies	800.00
Furniture, fixtures, equipment	0.00
Computer hardware and software	0.00
Field trips and student travel	100.00
TOTAL GUIDANCE	\$149,177.00

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES	\$10,580.00
Health Contracted Services	9,880.00
Health Supplies and Dues	700.00
TOTAL STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES	\$10,580.00
TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	\$11,243.00
Summer Tech Services, Web Master	10,639.00
Benefits	604.00
TOTAL TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	\$11,243.00
TOTAL STUDENT AND STAFF SUPPORT	\$171,000.00

ARTICLE # 7	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for System Administration. Recommend \$227,102.00.	
School Committee Recommends:	\$227,102.00
System Administration includes all expenses system-wide for the School Committee, financial services and Superintendent's Office.	
BOARD OF DIRECTORS	\$28,903.00
Stipends	7,800.00
Benefits	697.00
Contracted services, legal services, liability insurance	8,339.00
Dues, conferences, advertising, supplies, travel	12,067.00
TOTAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS	\$28,903.00
ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	\$38,053.00
Financial contracted technical services	15,263.00
Audit	22,000.00
Financial system technology supplies	790.00
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	\$38,053.00
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT	\$160,146.00
Salaries	135,755.00
Benefits and health insurance	19,391.00
Professional credits, dues, conferences, travel	4,100.00
Contracted services	0.00
Computer hardware, software, equipment, furniture and supplies	900.00
TOTAL OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT	\$160,146.00
TOTAL SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION	\$227,102.00

ARTICLE # 8	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for School Administration. Recommend \$214,433.00.	
School Committee Recommends:	\$214,433.00
School Administration includes all expenses for the direct operation of the Principal's Office.	

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL	\$214,433.00
Salaries	153,630.00
Benefits and health insurance	53,603.00
Professional credits, dues, conferences, travel	2,100.00
Contracted and technical services	700.00
Printing and binding, periodicals, supplies	4,100.00
Furniture, fixtures, equipment, repair	300.00
Computer hardware and software	0.00
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL	214,433.00
TOTAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	\$214,433.00

ARTICLE # 9	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses. Recommend \$41,081.00	
School Committee Recommends:	\$41,081.00
Transportation and Buses includes all expenses for student transportation and bus purchases and bus maintenance.	
BUS OPERATION	
Salaries	\$17,356.00
Benefits and health insurance	2,205.00
Contracted services, testing, fees	500.00
Fuel, insurance, travel	12,020.00
Maintenance, parts, supplies	9,000.00
New Equipment	0.00
Lease/Purchase payment	0.00
Out of District transportation	0.00
TOTAL BUS OPERATION	\$41,081.00

ARTICLE # 10	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance. Recommend: \$293,697.00	
School Committee Recommends:	\$293,697.00
Facilities Maintenance includes all expenses for operation of the plant.	
OPERATION OF PLANT	\$293,697.00
Salaries	93,811.00
Benefits and health insurance	34,700.00
Property and liability insurances	26,936.00
Contracted, repair services	43,000.00
Utilities, fuel oil, propane	82,600.00
Furniture, fixtures, equipment, repair, travel, supplies, fees	12,650.00
Contingency Fund	0.00
TOTAL OPERATION OF PLANT	293,697.00
TOTAL FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	\$293,697.00

ARTICLE # 11		PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for Debt Service. Recommend: <u>\$173,345.00</u>		
School Committee Recommends:		\$173,345.00
School Construction Bond Interest		13,345.00
School Construction Bond Principal		160,000.00
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE		\$173,345.00

ARTICLE # 12		PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum the Town will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures Recommend <u>\$128,651.00</u> .		
School Committee Recommends:		\$128,651.00
All Other Expenditures includes the local expenses for the school food service program.		
FOOD SERVICE		
Salaries		\$46,321.00
Benefits and health insurance		5,070.00
Contracted services, equipment, repairs, supplies, travel, fees		10,902.00
Food		66,358.00
TOTAL FOOD SERVICE		\$128,651.00
TOTAL ALL OTHER EXPENDITURES		\$128,651.00

ARTICLE # 13		PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
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 <u>\$841,508.97</u>)** 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 Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688. (Recommend <u>\$761,684.12</u>)**		
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 29, 2026.		

ARTICLE # 14		PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
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 <u>\$173,345.00</u> .		
School Committee Recommends:		Approval as written.

School Construction Bond Interest	\$13,345.00
School Construction Bond Principal	\$160,000.00
Total Debt Service	\$173,345.00
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 # 15	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see if the Town will Raise <u>\$128,651.00</u> for the Food Service Program.	
School Committee Recommends:	\$128,651.00

ARTICLE # 16	PASSED BY WRITTEN BALLOTT 91 YES -- 17 NO TOTAL BALLOTS CAST - 108
(Written Ballot Required) To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (Recommend <u>\$1,750,705.88,</u>) which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation by (Recommend <u>\$1,750,705.88,</u>) as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Committee?	
The School Committee Recommends <u>\$1,750,705.88</u> for additional local funds and gives the following reason for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by <u>\$1,750,705.88:</u> The State Funding Model does not fund all of the costs necessary to run island schools.	

ARTICLE # 17	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027 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 Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of the school. Recommend <u>\$3,100,904.00.</u>	
School Committee Recommends:	Approval as written.

ARTICLE # 18	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
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 # 19	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
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, 2026 through June 30, 2027 be approved in the amount of <u>\$6,366,962.00</u> ?” Local share from this school district is: <u>\$7,623.17</u> .	
School Committee Recommends:	Approval as written.

ARTICLE # 20	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
Adult Vocational Education Regional Programs “To see if the career and technical education region will appropriate <u>\$273,395.00</u> for Adult Education for the year beginning July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 and raise <u>\$94,000.00</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.” Local share from this school district is: <u>\$1,583.16</u> .	
School Committee Recommends:	Approval as written.

ARTICLE # 21	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum of money the Town will RAISE and APPROPRIATE for the School Bus Reserve Account.	
School Bus Reserve	\$25,000.00
School Committee Recommends:	\$25,000.00

ARTICLE # 22	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum of money the Town will RAISE and APPROPRIATE for the Capital Improvement Reserve Account.	
Capital Improvement Reserve	\$10,000.00
School Committee Recommends:	\$10,000.00

ARTICLE # 23	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
To see what sum of money the Town will RAISE and APPROPRIATE for the Contingency Reserve Account.	
Contingency Reserve	\$20,000.00
School Committee Recommends:	\$20,000.00

ARTICLE # 24	PASSED BY VOICE VOTE
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, 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

Select Board Chair, Shey Conover, spoke about the town budget and answered some questions before voting got underway.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **GENERAL GOVERNMENT** purposes: **PASSED BY VOICE VOTE**

Purpose	FY27	
	FY26 Budget	Proposed Budget
A. Select Board	\$11,675.00	\$11,675.00
B. Municipal Building	\$33,650.00	37,400.00
C. Islesboro Mun. Broadband Subsidy	\$188,360.00	\$198,686.00
D. Planning, Assessing, Codes	\$104,515.00	\$106,890.00
E. Groundwater	-0-	\$500.00
F. Administration	\$359,989.67	\$363,842.50
G. Early Education	\$137,004.00	\$134,004.00
H. Consultants/Roads Committee	\$500.00	\$500.00
I. Board of Appeals	\$6,390.00	\$6,300.00
TOTAL	\$841,993.67	\$859,797.50

Select Board recommends a “Yes” vote.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **PUBLIC SAFETY** purposes: **PASSED BY VOICE VOTE**

Purpose	FY27	
	FY26 Budget	Proposed Budget
A. Fire Protection	\$86,520.00	\$77,385.00
B. Public Safety	\$128,126.75	\$136,958.00
C. Emergency Management Training	\$880.00	\$880.00
D. Communication	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
E. Street Lights	\$7,000.00	\$7,300.00
F. Water Rescue	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
TOTAL	\$228,526.75	\$228,523.00

Select Board recommends a “Yes” vote.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **HEALTH & WELFARE** purposes: **PASSED BY VOICE VOTE**

Purpose	FY26 Budget	FY27 Proposed Budget
A. Ambulance	\$98,633.00	\$99,633.00
B. General Assistance	\$25,000.00	\$35,000.00
C. Health Center Operations	\$864,349.00	\$1,004,844.00
D. Housing Committee	-0-	\$15,000.00
TOTAL	\$987,982.00	\$1,154,477.00

Select Board recommends a “Yes” vote.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **PUBLIC WORKS** purposes: **PASSED BY VOICE VOTE**

Purpose	FY26 Budget	FY27 Proposed Budget
A. Road Maintenance	\$395,500.00	\$453,000.00
B. Personnel & Vehicle Expenses	\$143,296.67	\$175,831.00
C. Snow Removal	\$267,525.00	\$317,525.00
D. Building Maintenance	\$110,250.00	\$92,600.00
E. Energy Committee	\$65,000.00	\$77,500.00
TOTAL	\$956,571.67	\$1,116,456.00

Select Board recommends a “Yes” vote.

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

Discussion was held before the vote.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

After the vote a proposal was made to use money from metal recycling to offset the cost of waste removal from the island, but it was too late as the article had already passed.

Purpose	FY26 Budget	FY27 Proposed Budget
A. Septage Field + Mowing Contract	\$4,900.00	\$5,000.00
B. Transfer Station	\$274,079.97	\$273,034.00
TOTAL	\$278,979.97	\$278,034.00

Select Board recommends a “Yes” vote.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **RECREATION** purposes: **PASSED BY VOICE VOTE**

Purpose	FY26 Budget	FY27 Proposed Budget
A. Library	\$95,384.69	\$98,070.00
B. Museum	\$38,828.00	\$34,100.00
C. Harbors	\$50,700.00	\$62,300.00
D. Shellfish Conservation	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00
E. Recreation Programs	\$73,221.00	\$86,661.00
TOTAL	\$259,133.69	\$282,631.00

Select Board recommends a “Yes” vote.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCY** purposes: **PASSED BY VOICE VOTE**

Purpose	FY26 Budget	FY27 Proposed Budget
A. Waldo Comm. Action Partners	\$879.00	\$2,391.00
B. Hospice of Waldo County	\$500.00	\$500.00
C. New Hope for Women	\$2,200.00	\$2,200.00
D. Spectrum Generations	-0-	\$364.00
E. The LifeFlight Foundation	\$583.00	\$583.00
F. Waldo YMCA	\$50.00	\$50.00
G. Waldo Pet Food Pantry	\$500.00	-0-
H. Outreach Worker	\$15,000.00	\$10,000.00
TOTAL	\$19,712.00	\$16,088.00

Select Board recommends a “Yes” vote.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for each of the following **UNCLASSIFIED** purposes: **PASSED BY VOICE VOTE**

Purpose	FY26 Budget	FY27 Proposed Budget
A. Memorial Day Celebration	\$600.00	\$700.00
B. Town Cemeteries	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00
C. Health & Liability Insurances	\$459,264.	\$478,646.00
D. Auditing Report	\$40,000.00	\$44,000.00
TOTAL	\$509,364.00	\$532,846.00

Select Board recommends a “Yes” vote.

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

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Purpose	FY26 Budget	FY27 Proposed Budget
A. Municipal Vehicles	\$15,000.	-0-
B. Floats & Inclines	\$30,000.	-0-
C. Dark Harbor Waste Water	\$20,000.	\$30,000.00
D. Fire Engine	\$5,000.	\$5,000.00
E. Ambulance	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
F. Sea Level Rise/Engineering	\$30,000.00	\$20,000.00
G. Road Reconstruction/Paving	\$250,000.	\$50,000.00
H. Public Works Equipment	3,000.	\$70,000.00
I. Landscaping Equipment	-0-	\$10,000.00
J. Municipal Building - Renovation	-0-	\$20,000.00
K. Solar - Maintenance	-0-	\$10,000.00
L. Building/System Aging	-0-	\$25,000.00
M. Emergency Ferry Trips	-0-	\$20,000.00
TOTAL	\$373,000.00	\$280,000.00

Select Board recommends a “Yes” vote.

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

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Purpose	FY26 Budget	FY27 Proposed Budget
A. Debt Service/ IMB (2017)	\$266,837.50	\$264,537.50
B. Debt Service/Municipal Building Projects (2025)	\$185,594.89	\$185,594.59
B. Contingency	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
TOTAL	\$482,432.39	\$480,132.09

Select Board recommends a “Yes” vote.

Article 35. 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:

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

<i>Source of Funds</i>	FY26 Budget	FY27 Proposed Budget
A. Excise Taxes (Estimated Revenue):	\$175,000.	\$175,000.00
B. Non-Tax General Fund Revenues (Estimated Revenue):	\$258,789.	\$263,961.00
C. Undesignated Fund Balance	\$100,000.	\$100,000.00
D. State Revenue Sharing (Estimated Revenue):	\$120,000.	\$93,782.00
E. Homestead Exemption Reimbursement (Estimated Revenue):	\$39,341.	\$40,000.00
TOTAL	\$693,130.	\$672,743.00

Select Board recommends a “Yes” vote.

Article 36. 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, 2026** by appropriation from unassigned fund balance.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Select Board Recommends a “Yes” Vote.

Article 37. 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, 2026, with the rate of interest on unpaid taxes as of October 1, 2026 at Seven (7.00) percent annual rate.

Second Tax Bill: Due date of February 28, 2027, with the rate of interest on unpaid taxes as of March 1, 2027 at Seven (7.00) percent annual rate.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Select Board Recommends a “Yes” Vote.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to carry over, and assign fund balance accordingly, to the 2025-26 fiscal year any appropriated but unexpended funds at June 30, 2026 fiscal year end, provided that the funds are used for the same purpose as originally appropriated.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Select Board Recommends a “Yes” Vote.

Article 39. 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.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Select Board Recommends a “Yes” Vote.

Article 40. 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. This authorization does not include the right to accept conditional gifts if the condition requires an action of the Town that would otherwise require town meeting approval.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at 2% for FY2025 and to authorize such interest paid or abatements granted to be appropriated from overlay funds or, if necessary, from unassigned fund balance (surplus).

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Article 42. 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 grant has been awarded, provided that any grant requiring appropriation of funds by the Town shall require town meeting authorization.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Article 43. 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 tax-acquired property which shall be sold in accordance with applicable law, and conveyances for the purpose of clearing title or conveying tax-acquired real estate to a prior owner.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Article 44. 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.

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Select Board Recommends a "Yes" Vote.

Article 45. Shall an ordinance entitled “2026 Amendments to the Islesboro Municipal Shore Areas, Pier and Float Use Ordinance Regarding Harbor Committee Meetings” be enacted?

(The proposed ordinance is copied below and will be available at the Town Meeting.)

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Select Board Recommends a “Yes” Vote.

2026 AMENDMENTS TO THE ISLESBORO MUNICIPAL SHORE AREAS, PIER AND FLOAT USE ORDINANCE REGARDING HARBOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Municipal Shore Areas, Pier and Float Use Ordinance of the Town of Islesboro shall be amended as follows (**additions are underlined and deletions are ~~struck out~~**):

1. Amend Article II, Harbor Committee, as set forth below:

§142-7. Meetings.

- A. A regularly scheduled meeting shall be held four times a year, ~~December, April, July and October~~ January, March, May, and August, ~~on the third Thursday of each month. The August meeting of each year shall be to elect officers. The December meeting of each year will be used for the preparation and approval of the budget recommendations for the coming fiscal year.~~B.
- B. Special meetings may be called by the Chair, or requested through the Chair by the Harbor Master, the Board of Selectmen, or the Town Manager, or upon the request of at least three members of the Committee.
- C. The first regular meeting held after the annual organizational meeting of the Board of Selectmen shall be known as the "Harbor Committee organizational meeting." The purpose of this meeting shall be the election and installation of officers for the coming year, the presentation of the annual report of the Committee, and any other business that may come before the meeting.
- D. Four members constitute a quorum at any regular or special meeting, provided that at least one of the members present is either the Chair or Vice Chair.

Article 46. Shall an ordinance entitled “2026 Amendments to the Islesboro Municipal Shore Areas, Pier and Float Use Ordinance Regarding Moorings in Town Anchorages” be enacted?

PASSED BY VOICE VOTE

Select Board Recommends a “Yes” Vote.

(The proposed ordinance is copied below and will be available at the Town Meeting.)

2026 AMENDMENTS TO THE ISLESBORO MUNICIPAL SHORE AREAS, PIER AND FLOAT USE ORDINANCE REGARDING MOORINGS IN TOWN ANCHORAGES

The Municipal Shore Areas, Pier and Float Use Ordinance of the Town of Islesboro shall be amended as follows (**additions are underlined and deletions are ~~struck out~~**):

1. Amend Article IV, Intent; Rules and Regulations, as set forth below:
§142-21. Moorings in Town anchorages.

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D. Mooring assignments are nontransferable and may not be rented by the assignee to others. However, the HM or DHM may approve the transfer of a mooring assignment used for commercial fishing purposes, only at the request or death of the assignee, only to a member of the assignee's family and only if the mooring assignment will continue to be used for commercial fishing purposes. For the purposes of this subsection, "member of the assignee's family" means an assignee's parent, child or sibling, by birth or by adoption, including a relation of the half blood, or an assignee's spouse.

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N. A fee shall be charged for moorings in any Town anchorage, for Islesboro residents and nonresidents. This annual fee shall be set by order of the Select Board.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$53,812.50 for the purpose of funding a pilot project to purchase Peak Season vehicle and adult and minor walk on ferry tickets from the Maine State Ferry Service during the 2026 Peak season from July through September of 2026 for the purpose of resale to island residents at off season rates.

Select Board does not recommend the passage.

Select Board member, Melissa Burns, requested that this be a written ballot.

VOICE VOTE to see if it would go to written ballot – RESULTS UNCLEAR.

HAND VOTE to see if it would go to written ballot – PASSED – 57 YES, 46 NO.

**PASSED BY WRITTEN BALLOT: 81 YES, 42 NO
TOTAL BALLOTS CAST: 123**

ELECTIONS

Article 48. To elect the following Town officials:	
<p>A. One Select Board member for a term of three years, to expire at the 2029 Annual Town Meeting. [Currently Shey Conover’s seat.]</p>	
<p>HOLLY FIELDS ELECTED WITH - 81 VOTES Daniel Frohling - 39</p>	<p>TOTAL VOTES CAST - 120</p>
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<p>B. One Select Board member for a term of three years, to expire at the 2029 Annual Town Meeting. [Currently Melissa Burn’s seat.]</p>	
<p>Dylan Purinton – 51 Daniel Frohling – 42 Haley Curie Nelson – 25</p>	<p>TOTAL VOTES CAST – 118</p>
<p>Plurality was not met, had to go to second vote, Haley Curie Nelson withdrew her bid for a seat.</p>	
<p>Second Vote:</p>	
<p>DYLAN PURINTON ELECTED WITH – 65 VOTES Daniel Frohling – 45</p>	<p>TOTAL VOTES CAST - 110</p>
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<p>C. One School Board member for a term of three years, to expire at the 2029 Annual Town Meeting. [Currently Skylar Purdy’s seat]</p>	
<p>SKYLAR PURDY ran unopposed, ELECTED WITH 18 VOTES</p>	<p>TOTAL VOTES CAST - 18</p>

Meeting was adjourned at 1:38 pm