

Ferry Ticket Program Update

At the recent Town Meeting, the voters approved the warrant authorizing the expenditure of funds this summer for the town to purchase Peak-Season vehicle, adult walk-on, and minor walk-on tickets from the Maine State Ferry Service and resell them to town residents at Off-Season rates. At the time of the meeting, it was anticipated that given the fact that the town fiscal year begins on July 1, the program would begin sometime after that. However, the Town has received an anonymous and generous donation of \$25,000 that will allow the program to begin earlier than expected, **possibly by June 15.**

Attached is an “Overview” of the program that has previously been distributed for review. **More important**, also attached is a “Resident Agreement” that is needed for participation in the program. **This is a pilot program, which, for budget and administrative reasons, is limited to town residents defined by registered voters and minors in their households.** The program has been designed to have each household designate a “Head of the Household” who will read, understand, sign, and submit the Agreement at the Town Office. The Head of the Household will also be responsible for the purchase of tickets which are limited, again for budgetary reasons, to 10 vehicle tickets per household and ten adult and/or minor tickets for the other resident members of the household through September of this year.

For those households interested in participating in the program, please review the attached “Overview” and, **more importantly, please READ, UNDERSTAND, AND AGREE, IN WRITING, TO THE ATTACHED AGREEMENT AND DROP IT OFF AT THE TOWN OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. A signed Resident Agreement is necessary in order to participate in the program.** For those who do not have access to the Internet, copies of this notice will be posted throughout the town and copies of the “Overview” and the necessary “Resident Agreement” will be available at the Town Office.

As mentioned at the Town Meeting, for those participating in the program, bear with us as things get going. Your patience and understanding and your efforts to purchase tickets well before the anticipated day(s) of use, will be greatly appreciated.

Expect further announcements in the near future. Thanks!