

**Town of Warren
Annual Town Meeting Warrant
June 13, 2017 and June 20, 2017**

County of Knox, SS.

State of Maine

To: Douglas Gammon, Resident of the Town of Warren, in the County of Knox.

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Warren in the County of Knox, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Warren Masonic Hall located at 105 Camden Rd. in Warren on Tuesday, the thirteenth (13th) day of June, A.D. 2017 at 7:30 a.m. The moderator (Article 1) will be chosen at 7:30 a.m. At 8 a.m., voting will begin on Article 2. Polls will close at 8:00 p.m.

And to notify and warn the voters to meet at the Warren Community School at 117 Eastern Road (Route 131) in Warren on Tuesday, the twentieth (20th) day of June, A.D. 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Then and there to act on articles three (3) through thirty-seven (37) all of these articles being set forth below to wit:

Article 1: **Election of Moderator** - To choose a moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting.

Article 2: **Election of Officers** - To elect all necessary Town Officers as are required to be elected by secret ballot:

Two [2] member of the Board of Selectmen for three [3] year terms.

Two [2] members of the RSU #40 Board of Directors, one (1) for a three [3] year term and one (1) for the remainder of a term to expire in 2019

Three [3] members of the Warren Sanitary District Trustees for three [3] year terms

Article 3: To choose all necessary Town Officials for the ensuing year, other than those now required to be elected by ballot under the provisions of Maine law.

Five (5) members of the Budget Committee for three (3) year terms

One (1) member of the Budget Committee for the remainder of a term to expire 2019

Two (2) Fish Wardens for one (1) year terms

Article 4: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen pursuant to 12 MRS § 6131 to promulgate such regulations compatible with the General Laws of the State to govern the time when and the manner in which alewives shall be taken therein. (*Note: Municipal rights in existence on January 1, 1974, which are not exercised for 3 consecutive years shall lapse 12 MRS §6131.*)

Article 5: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell surplus alewives for one or more years, or take any action relative to the same.

Article 6: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for The Board of Selectmen for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-1 \$42,500

Budget Committee recommends: Vote 11-0 \$42,500

Article 7: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Administration for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 5-0 \$238,033

Budget Committee recommends: Vote 10-1 \$238,033

Article 8: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Clerk for The period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 5-0 \$54,105

Budget Committee recommends: Vote 10-0-1 \$54,105

Article 9: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Assessing for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 5-0 \$44,800

Budget Committee recommends: Vote 11-0 \$44,800

Article 10: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Code Enforcement & Planning for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-1 \$53,181

Budget Committee recommends: Vote 6-2-3 \$53,181

This article brings code enforcement position to fulltime.

Article 11: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Fire for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 5-0 \$71,844

Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0-2 \$71,844

Article 12: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Ambulance for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 5-0 \$179,902
Budget Committee recommends: Vote 11-0 \$179,902

Article 13: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Animal Control for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 5-0 \$11,730
Budget Committee recommends: Vote 11-0 \$11,730

Article 14: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Public Works for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 5-0 \$450,419
Budget Committee recommends: Vote 8-3 \$439,490

The difference in the dollar amounts was because the union contract for wages is at 3%. The budget committee compared the 3% with last year total wages which was incorrect.

Article 15: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Transfer Station for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-1 \$201,784
Budget Committee recommends: Vote 11-0 \$201,784

Article 16: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Library for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 5-0 \$36,967
Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0 \$36,867

The reason for the \$100.00 difference was in the incorrect calculations in PT Wages.

Article 17: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Recreation for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-1 \$50,807
Budget Committee recommends: Vote 6-5 \$50,807
This article brings the recreation director position to fulltime.

Article 18: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Protection for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 5-0 \$218,218
Budget Committee recommends: Vote 10-1 \$218,218

Article 19: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Social Services & Contributions for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 5-0 \$25,745
Budget Committee recommends: Vote 4-8 \$28,470

Social Service & Contributions:

<i>Community Services</i>	<i>11,745</i>
<i>General Assistance</i>	<i>10,000</i>
<i>Historical Society</i>	<i>4,000</i>
Total	25,745

Community Services:

<i>Broadreach</i>	<i>1,000</i>
<i>Midcoast Maine Community Action</i>	<i>1,000</i>
<i>New Hope for Women</i>	<i>1,155</i>
<i>Penquis Community Action</i>	<i>3,545</i>
<i>Red Cross</i>	<i>500</i>
<i>Sexual Assault Support Services</i>	<i>1,300</i>
<i>Spectrum Generations</i>	<i>2,245</i>
<i>Life Flight Foundation</i>	<i>1,000</i>
Total	11,745

Article 20: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Facilities & Grounds for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 5-0 \$52,100
Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-2 \$52,200
The \$100.00 difference was portable fuel was removed from the budget during the Board of Selectmen Budget Meeting.

Article 21: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Capital Improvement Plan Reserves for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-1 \$479,200
Budget Committee recommends: Vote 11-0 \$419,200

The Smart Stream Grant was approved after the Budget Committee met. The increase was due to be able to complete the Smart Stream project and take advantage of the \$95,000 grant.

Capital Improvement	Res Balance	FY-18 MGR	BC	BOS
Computer/Technology (Admin)	1500	1500	1500	1500
Assessment Review (Admin)				
Records Restoration (Admin)	6500	1500	1500	1500
Public Works Reserve (Plow Truck)	84909	60000	60000	60000
Ambulance Purchase	22265	15000	15000	15000
Bridge Repair (Sandy Shores)	5900	120000	60000	120000
BLDG Improvements				
CAP BLDG Res (Alewife)	246218			
Cemetery Improvements	299			
Comprehensive Plan	6000			
Dry Hydrant Install	2398			
FD Equipment Purchase (Fire Truck)	156544	25000	25000	25000
Ambulance Equipment Reserve				
Ambulance Equipment Reserve		3200	3200	3200
Stretcher		2000	2000	2000
Stair Chair		1000	1000	1000
Road Improvement	1864	250000	250000	250000
Recreation Reserve (0 Turn Mower)		2000		
TOTAL	534397	481200	419200	479200

Article 22: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Personnel for the period July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 5-0 \$186,515
Budget Committee recommends: Vote 5-6 \$185,515

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to reduce the amount to be raised by taxation using estimated revenues for the Municipal Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Revenue	FY 17-18
Administration Income	12000
Ambulance Fees	100000
Boat Excise	5000
Building Permits	8200
Cable Franchise	11000
Recreation Programing Fees	9000
Excise Tax	625000
Property Tax Interest	33000
Investment Interest	3400
Transfer Station Fees	3056
Trash Bags	86944
Lien Costs	10000
Concealed Weapons	350
Planning Board	600
Tree Growth	8500
Animal Control	2000
Junk Yard Permits	150
Plumbing Permits	3200
Town Clerk Fees	4800
DOT/LRAP	52000
General Assistance Reimbursement	5000
State Revenue Sharing	215000
Homestead Act	90000
Entertainment Fees	300
Library	100
BETE	6000
Veterans Exemption	2400
Scrap Metal	600
MEMA Reimbursement (Fema EMA D)	2700
Prison Hydrant Refund	6756
Total:	1,307,056

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to move up to 10% of unexpended balances, from various accounts as needed to provide for the continuity of public services.

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to procure a temporary

loan or loans, in anticipation of taxes, for payment of obligations of the Town; such loan or loans to be paid during the current municipal year by taxation or act thereon.

- Article 26:** To see if the Town will vote to fix the 15th day of November, 2017 and the 15th day of May, 2018 as the due dates when assessed taxes shall be payable and to charge 7.00% per annum interest on all unpaid taxes after that date.
- Article 27:** To see if the Town will authorize the use of funds from the Fund Balance to cover annual abatements, or take any action relating to the same.
- Article 28:** To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to 36 MRSA §506, to authorize the Tax Collector to accept pre-payment of taxes not yet due or assessed to pay 3% interest on any prepaid taxes that are abated or act thereon.
- Article 29:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for same.
- Article 30:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer, on behalf of the Town, to accept the proceeds of any payment on insurance claims for damage occurring to Town equipment and to allow the expenditure of funds as necessary to replace said equipment as they deem appropriate or act anything thereon.
- Article 31:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to accept, grants, insurance refunds, reimbursements or other funds received by the Town and apply these funds to the accounts the Selectmen deem appropriate.
- Article 32:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, pursuant to 30-A MRS §5655, on behalf of the Town, to accept unconditional donations of property or money to supplement a specific appropriation already made, to reduce the tax assessment, to endow a municipal education fund, or to reduce permanent debt.
- Article 33:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, pursuant to 30-A MRS §5654, on behalf of the Town, to conditionally accept conditional gifts of money or property in trust pending affirmative action by Town Meeting vote.
- Article 34:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt changes to the Town of Warren "Shoreland Zoning Ordinance". If approved this ordinance will replace the existing "Shoreland Use Ordinance" enacted March 20, 1993.
- Article 35:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to choose the solid waste disposal facility.

Article 36: To see if the Town will vote to prohibit commercial marijuana activities to include but not limit to marijuana processing facilities, testing facilities, cultivation facilities, retail businesses and social clubs.

Article 37: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue a portion Packard Mill Road Traveling from the intersection of Rte.90 onto the Packard Mill Road for 1868 feet to pole #7. This portion will remain a public way. The discontinued road starts at pole #7 and runs in a southeast direction for 1037 feet till it dead ends. The width of this road is 49.5 or 3 rod.

Given under our hands this 12th day of May, A.D., 2017.

William Lufkin
William Lufkin, Chairman

Wayne Luce
Wayne Luce, Vice Chair

Arnold D. Hill
Arnold D. Hill

James Kinney
James Kinney

Carole Courtenay
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Selectmen for the Town of Warren

True Attest Copy

Melissa Sukeforth, Town Clerk

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